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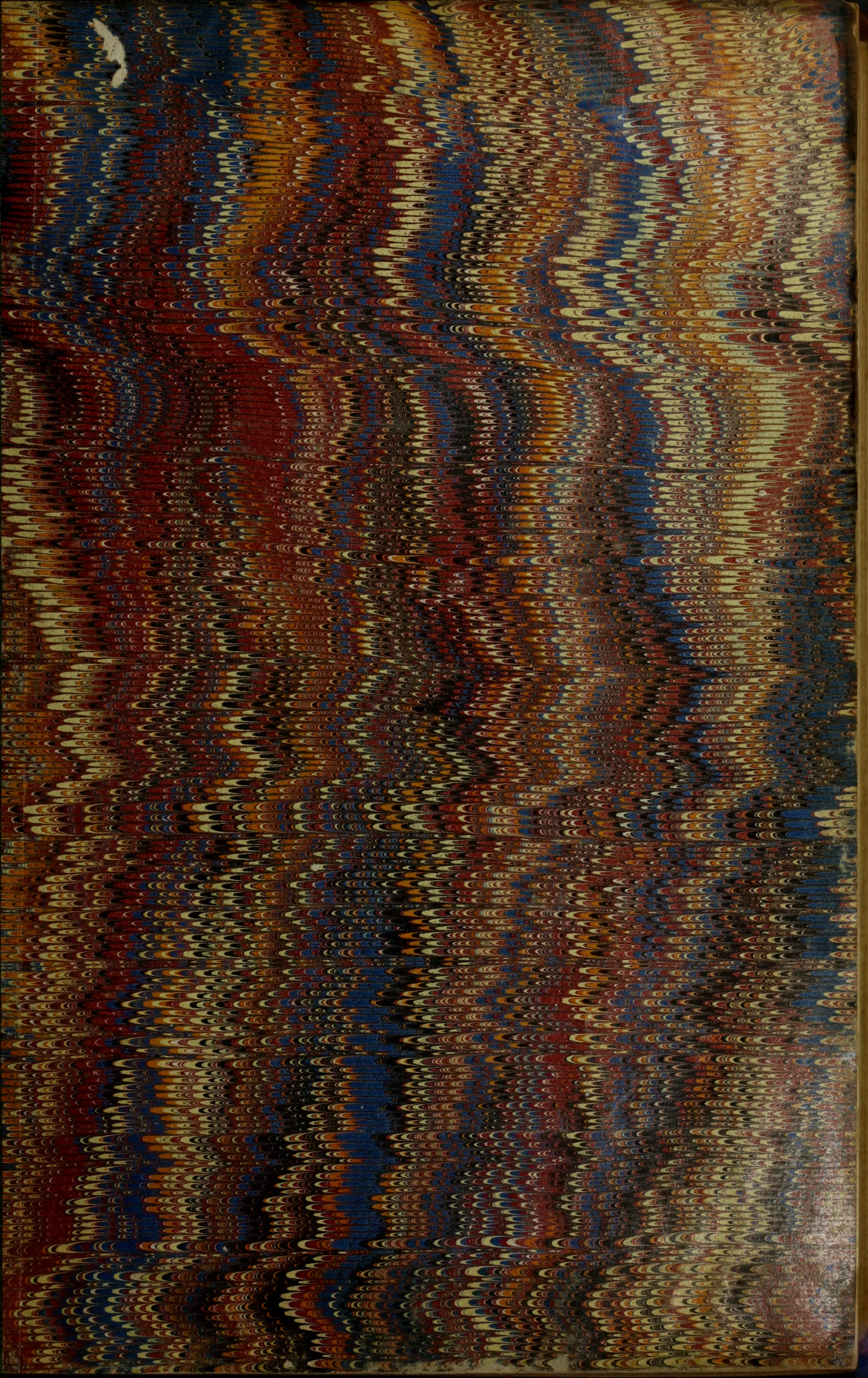
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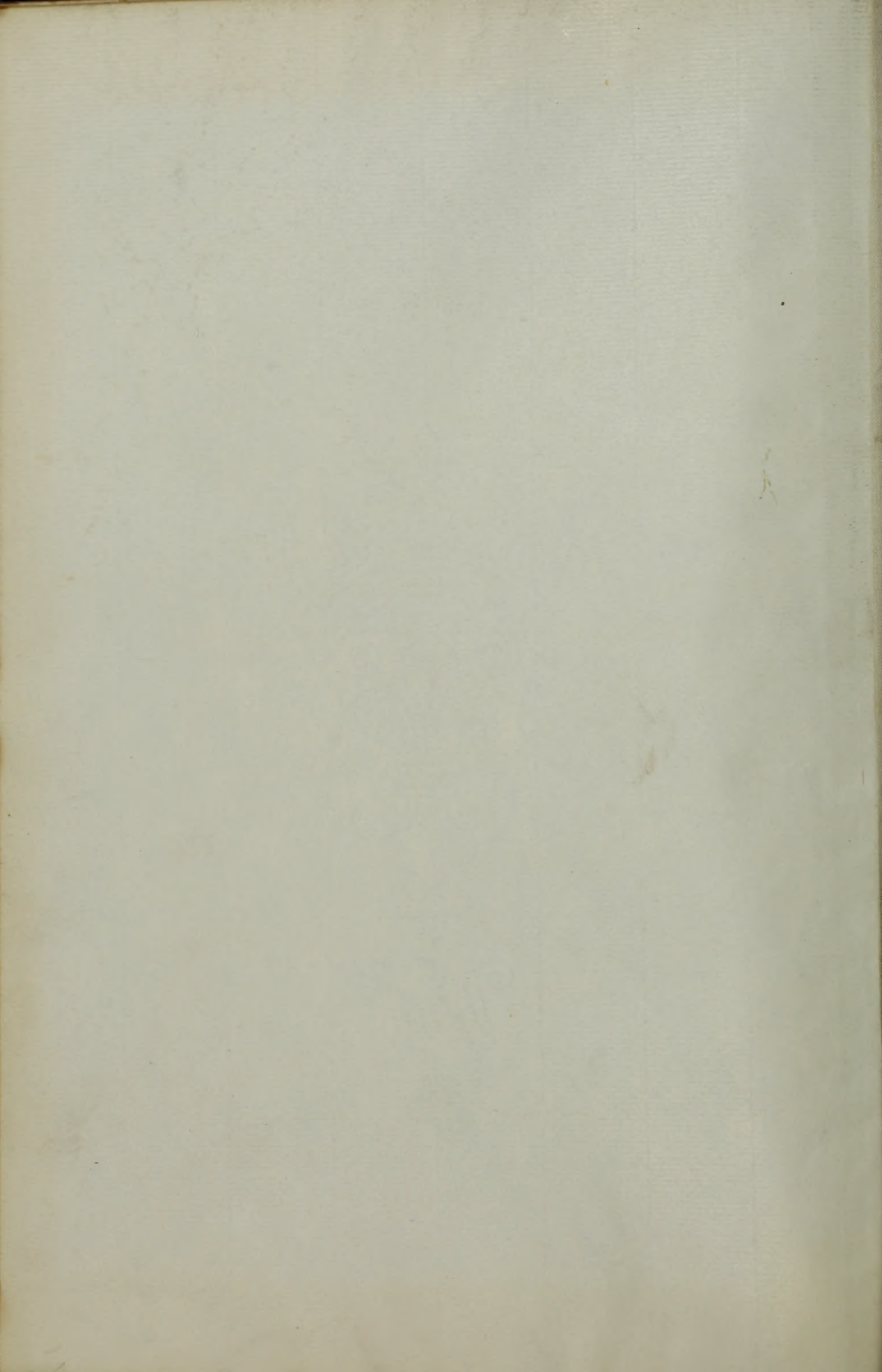
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City of Boston.

January 7. 1861.

1.

This being the day assigned by law for the organization of the City Government for the present year, the following gentlemen appeared and took their oaths, viz:-

Organization

Joseph M. Nightman, Mayor
Aldermen.

Mayor

Jonathan Preston,

Samuel R. Spinney

Aldermen

Thomas P. Rich,

Nehemiah Gibson,

Samuel Hatch,

George W. Parmenter,

Giles Pierce,

Moses Clark,

Thomas Coffin Amory, Jr.

John F. Gray,

James L. Hanson,

Elisha T. Wilson.

Mr. Jones of Ward 10 came up with a message informing this Branch that a quorum of the Common Council were present in their Chamber and were ready to be qualified.

The two branches of the City Council accordingly assembled

In Convention.

Prayer having been offered by the Right Reverend Manton Eastburn, D. D. the oaths of office were administered by the Hon: George T. Bigelow, Chief Justice of the Commonwealth, to the Mayor, who in turn administered them to the above named Aldermen, and thereafterwards to the following members of the Common Council:

2.	Ward 1.	Ward 5.	Ward 9.
January 7. 1861 Common Council	John Dacey, Andrew Minworth, John W. Saighton, Cornelius Murphy.	Theophilus Burr, Jr. Lyman S. Hapgood, Daniel Carr, Jr. John S. Pear.	Francis Richards, John C. J. Brown, William A. Clark, Francis H. Ward.
	Ward 2.	Ward 6.	Ward 10.
	Nathaniel Seaver, George T. Sampson, Albert Brooker, Stephen N. Stockwell.	Joseph L. Henshaw, Russell Barker, Benjamin G. Brardman, Daniel Davies.	Robert Cowdin, Justin Jones, John Borrowscale, Joseph F. Huntress.
	Ward 3.	Ward 7.	Ward 11.
	John C. Tucker, J. Milton Roberts, Gylvanus A. Denio, John Rogers.	Jabez Frederick, Charles J. Mc Carthy, James Riley, Henry W. Foley.	Nathaniel Prewer, Edward F. Robinson, Joshua D. Ball, John C. Fallon.
	Ward 4.	Ward 8.	Ward 12.
	Seldon Crockett, Elias E. Davison, Benjamin F. Edmands, Daniel A. Whitney.	Timothy R. Page, Joseph H. Bradley, Maris C. Fitch, Frederick Grant.	Sumner Crosby, Henry Guther, George W. Sprague, Hollis R. Gray.

His Honor the Mayor then addressed both branches of the City Council, after which the Convention was dissolved.

Chairman

Upon the return of the Aldermen to their room, the Board proceeded to elect a Chairman in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the whole number was 11. Necessary for a choice b. Silas Rice had 11 and was accordingly elected.

On motion of Alderman Rich, 3

a message was sent to the Common Council informing that January 7, 1861.
branch of the choice of a Chairman of this Board.

Mr. Page of Ward 8, came Common
up with a message informing this Board that the Common Council
Council
was duly organized by the choice of Joseph H. Bradley as President Clerk
President Clerk
and Washington P. Hegg as Clerk.

On motion of Alderman
Preston Ordered: That a message be sent to the Common Council Convention
Council
proposing a convention of the City Council forthwith for the
purpose of choosing a City Clerk for the present Municipal Year.

Notice having been received
of the concurrence by the Common Council in the foregoing proposition the two branches assembled in

Convention:

The Chair appointed City Clerk
Alderman Hatch and Messrs Edmands and Frederick a
Committee to collect, sort and count the votes for a City Clerk who
having attended to that duty, reported that the whole number of
ballots was fifty nine. Necessary for choice thirty. Samuel F. Mc
Cleary had fifty nine, and was accordingly elected. The oaths of
office having been administered to him by the Mayor and
the business of the convention having been accomplished, the
two branches separated.

In Board of Aldermen.

Ordered: That the Rules Rules & Orders
and Orders of the Board of Aldermen for the year 1860, be and

4. the same are hereby adopted as the rules and orders of this
January 7, 1861. Board until otherwise ordered and that Aldermen Amory, Spinney
and Preston be a Committee to examine and report if any altera-
tions are required thereon for the government of this Board.

Mayor
Addeff

Ordered: That His Honor the
Mayor be requested to furnish a copy of his Addeff, that the
same may be printed. Passed in Common Council. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Paul
contested seat.

Remonstrance of Joseph T. Paul
against the right of Elisha T. Wilson to hold a seat at this
Board, on the ground that if votes thrown for John T. Paul and al-
leged to have been intended for him had been counted, the remon-
strant would have been chosen. Read and referred to Aldermen
Amory, Parmenter and Rich.

Joint Rules
Com^{rs} on

Ordered: That Messrs Sampson,
Page and Grant with such as the Board of Aldermen may
join be a Committee to prepare Joint Rules and Orders for the
government of the City Council during the present Municipal
Year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred and Aldermen Amory and Preston were joined. Ap-
proved by the Mayor, January 7, 1861.

Municipal
Register

Ordered: That such Ordinances,
By-Laws and Special orders of the City Council with a List of
the City Officers in the various Departments of the City Govern-
ment and such other matter as may be deemed advisable, be
forthwith printed under the direction of the Joint Committee
on Rules and Orders, who may employ such assistance as
may be deemed advisable. Passed in Common Council. Came

in concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor.

January 7, 1861.

January 7, 1861.

William Miller submitted

Bill

Bill

to the Board the following Preamble and Resolve: Whereas, the
the Council of the City of New York, in its capacity, do now
submitting on our Statute books, any laws, which in spirit if not
in letter conflict with the Constitution of the United States, - and
Whereas, this Bill, that the Council do to the said, is in
constitutional violation, and is in violation of the
and placing our several communities in a position
in regard to the rights of other States, therefore; Resolved: That
the Mayor, in behalf of the City Council, be, and he hereby
is authorized and requested to publish the said Bill in
proper form of the Council, and to cause the same to be
laid under motion of William Miller, and upon the table.

Ordered: That Mondays at

Meetings.

two o'clock P.M. be assigned as the day and hour for holding
the regular meeting of this Board, unless otherwise ordered.

done.

Admired to London not at two o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fourteenth day of January, Anno Domini, 1861.

Read

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Paul

The Committee to whom was referred the remonstrance of Joseph T. Paul against the right of Elisha T. Wilson to hold a seat at this Board, on the ground that nine hundred and twenty two votes cast at the last Municipal Election for John T. Paul were intended, and should be counted, for said remonstrant, reported all the facts of the case in detail, and concluded, for the reasons stated in said report, in favor of the adoption of the following order. Ordered: That the remonstrant have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted, and the order passed: and the said report was ordered to be printed. (See City Doc. No. 4)

Aldermen

rules

The Committee appointed to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the Board of Aldermen for the year 1861, have considered the matter, and beg leave to recommend that the Rules and Orders of the Board of Aldermen of 1860, be adopted, by the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Thomas C. Smory, Jr. Chairman. Ordered: That the Rules and Orders of the Board of Aldermen of 1860, be and hereby are adopted for the government of this Board. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Standing

Committees.

In accordance with the resolution adopted the Mayor appointed the following Standing Committees for the Board of Aldermen viz: Finance - Aldermen John. Sumner and David. Bridges - Aldermen William. Brewster and John. J. Quincy.

County Accounts: Aldermen Amory, Clark and Hatch. Cemeteries:
 Aldermen Parmenter, Hanson and Preston. Funeral Hall: Alder-
 men Preston, Clark and Spinney. Fire Department: Aldermen Hatch,
 Spinney and Rice. Common and Public Squares: Aldermen Rich,
 Amory and Wilson. External Health: Aldermen Rich, Gray and
 Rice. Internal Health: Aldermen Parmenter, Wilson and Hatch.
Swamp, Lake and Dock: Aldermen Wilson, Hanson and Gray. Li-
 censes: Aldermen Gray, Amory and Hatch. Light: Aldermen Clark,
 Preston and Hanson. Paving: Aldermen Parmenter, Wilson and
 Rich. Police: Aldermen Hanson, Gray and Hatch. Relief:
 Aldermen Amory, Spinney and Gray. Sanitary: Aldermen Spinney,
 Clark and Wilson. Steam Engineering: Aldermen Clark, Hanson
 and Parmenter. Streets: Aldermen Gray, Amory and Spinney.

Ordered: That the Joint Rules and rules of the last year be adopted by the City Council until
 otherwise ordered. Passed in Common Council. Came up for con-
 currence. Sent and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 14,
 1861.

Ordered: That Aldermen Gray, and Parmenter with such as the Common Council may wish
 constitute the first Standing Committee on the Police Department.
 Sent down for concurrence. January 17, 1861. Came up for concur-
 red, and Alder Boardman, Huntress and Lenio were joined.

Ordered: That Aldermen Rice, Amory and Clark with such as the Common Council may wish
 constitute the first Standing Committee on the Police Department.
 Sent down for concurrence. January 17, 1861. Came up for concur-

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Gordin, Roberts, Sprague, Brewer and Crosby were joined.

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Fuel

Ordered: That Aldermen Han-

ton and Gibson with such as the Common Council may join constitute the joint Standing Committee on Fuel. Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and Messrs Han-
ton, Ward and Murphy were joined.

Fire

Ordered: That Aldermen Hatch

Alarms.

and Peay with such as the Common Council may join constitute the joint Standing Committee on Fire Alarms. Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and Messrs Wiley, Edmonds and Ainsworth were joined.

Harbor

Ordered: That Aldermen Gib-

son and Peay with such as the Common Council may join constitute the joint Standing Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and Messrs Red-
dick, Jones and Sampson were joined.

Institutions

Ordered: That Aldermen He-

ton, Spinney and Gibson, with such as the Common Council may join, constitute the joint Standing Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island. Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and Messrs Crockett, McCarthy, Whitney, Grant and Carr were joined.

Militia

Ordered: That Aldermen

Amory, Clark and Reimenter with such as the Common Council may join constitute the joint Standing Committee on Militia. Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred. Messrs Ball, Gordin, Sprague, Hancock and Van Hook were joined.

Ordered: That Aldermen Preston,

Clark and Spinney with such as the Common Council may join
constitute the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings.
Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and
Messrs Richards, Tucker, Burr, Lavis and Clark were joined.

January 17, 1861.
Public
Buildings.

Ordered: That Aldermen Amory,

Emy and Rich with such as the Common Council may join,
constitute the Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction.
Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and
Messrs Allen, Hayward and Rich were joined.

Public
Instruction.

Ordered: That Aldermen Hatch,

Hanson and Preston with such as the Common Council may
join constitute the Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands.
Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and
Messrs Tucker, Brauman, Day, Robinson and Fowler were joined.

Lands

Ordered: That Alderman Wilson

with such as the Common Council may join constitute the Joint
Standing Committee on Printing. Sent down for concurrence. January
17. Came up concurred and Messrs Jones and Stickwell were joined.

Printing

Ordered: That Aldermen Wilson,

Rich and Preston with such as the Common Council may join
constitute the Joint Standing Committee on the Public Library. Sent
down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and Messrs
Ball, Tucker, Stickwell, Brown and Whitney were joined.

Library

Ordered: That Aldermen

January 17, 1861.

Sperry and Egan with such as the Common Council may constitute the first Standing Committee on the Treasury Department. Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and Messrs Henshaw, Hupgood and Baker were joined.

Water

Ordered: That Aldermen Hatch,

Gibson and Gray with such as the Common Council may join constitute the first Standing Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred and Messrs Frederick, Brewer, Fowler, Lacey and Fallon were joined.

Celin

Petition of George Celin to be refunded the amount paid in abatement of a nuisance in Rutland Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Second
Regiment

Petition of Robert Cowdin, commanding Second Regiment of Infantry for the use of the parade ground on Boston Common in that regiment's need. Referred to the Committee on the Common.

Kemmes

Petition of B. Kemmes and others for a Survey in Fifth Street between Canal and E. Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Anderson

Petition of Anderson & Goodenough for leave to keep an advertising office at No. Franklin Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

James

Petition of Thomas J. James for appointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of A. Scudder and 11

that he is owner of the several amount shares of the New York & Albany Railroad Co. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Scudder

Petition of M. Salom for ap- Salom

pointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John T. Heard for Heard.

renewal of license as a Manufacturer of Light. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Stephen Smith for Smith

leave to move a wooden building through South Street to Market Street. Referred to the Committee on Finance with full power.

Petition of Thomas Bancroft, Bancroft.

and others for the removal of the rule prohibiting the use of rail upon the New Railroad tracks may be enforced. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of William Johnson Johnson

to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in South Street. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Council of the Court of the Poor.

submitted to the Board their annual report which exhibits the character and extent of their expenditures in money for the year 1860. read and placed on file.

The Superintendent of Public Funds

submitted to the Board his annual report of the Public Funds for the year 1860 and on the same day to be printed City Secy.

The Superintendent of Streets submitted to the Board his annual report for the year 1860 exhibiting in detail the labor and character of the expenditures in that Department. Laid on the table and five hundred copies ordered to be printed. (See City Document No. 5.)

The Superintendent of Health submitted to the Board his annual report for the year 1860, exhibiting in detail the amount and character of the expenditures in his Department for that time. Laid on the table and five hundred copies ordered to be printed. (See City Document No. 6.)

The Chief of Police submitted to the Board his Annual Report of the transactions in his Department for the year 1860. Laid on the table and five hundred copies ordered to be printed. (See City Document No. 7.)

Petition of J. P. Ruggles for abatement of tax for 1857, 1858 and 1859 on land in Mercer Street. Referred to the Committee on the Finance Department. Sent down for concurrence. January 17 came up concurred.

Petition of John C. Warren to be compensated for his time and salary occasioned by illness contracted in the discharge of his duty as a Police Officer. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. January 17 came up concurred.

Finance Committee. Resolved that the Common Council stating that that Warren had duly stated

the following persons to constitute the committee on Finance on 13.
at a meeting of the Board of Aldermen, January 14, 1861.
Robert Cowdin, Theophilus Burgh, Benjamin S. Edmunds,
James H. Hatch, and Samuel R. Spinney were appointed.
The Board of Aldermen and the Common Council being joined to said committee ex officio.

The Common Council having Accounts -
certified to this Board that Robert Cowdin, Theophilus Burgh, Ben- Committee on
jamin S. Edmunds, James H. Hatch and Samuel R. Spinney had been duly
chosen a committee on Accounts on the part of that Council.
The ballots were taken and counted for the election of three Alder-
men to be joined to said committee, when it appeared that Elias
Hatch, Samuel Hatch and Samuel R. Spinney were duly chosen.

Ordered: That one member Institutions
from each ward vote for as the Board of Aldermen may see Directors of
a committee to nominate for Directors of the Public Institu- Com^{rs} on
tion three suitable persons from the citizens at large to serve three
years and one member of the Board of Aldermen and two members
of the Common Council to serve among the several Municipal
wards and to report to the Board of Aldermen. Richard C. Paul of
Ward 1, Ball of Ward 2, Sprague of Ward 3, Barker of
Ward 4, Dean of Ward 5, Whitney of Ward 6, Rogers of Ward 7, Dacey
of Ward 8, and Parker of Ward 9 were appointed on said com-
mittee. Subsequently in Common Council came up the same names and
and concurred in the same. Aldermen Weston, Hatch, Allen, Green, Fitch
and Hanson were joined. Approved by the Board January 15, 1861.

11.

January 11, 1861

Ordered: That Messrs Tucker,

readers

Boardman and Roberts with such as the Board of Aldermen may
be a Committee to consider and report a Salary Bill for
the current year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for con-
currence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Rich and Clark were
joined. Approved by the Mayor, January 16, 1861.

Mayor's
Address

Ordered: That Messrs Page, Bail

and Glockweil with such as the Board of Aldermen may join
be a Committee to take into consideration the various matters treated
upon in the Mayor's Address and report what disposition shall
be made of the same. Passed in Common Council. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Amory
and Fair were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 12, 1861.

Bills
to be paid

Ordered: That the following

bills for materials or labor furnished, and for expenses paid to
persons directly or indirectly connected with the City Government
of the past and present year, be paid, provided they are approved,
audited and allowed in the usual manner: viz. Horace Jenkins,
twenty six hundred dollars, A. J. Lockwood, two hundred eighty
three dollars and fifty two cents. Passed in Common Council. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor,
January 15, 1861.

Resolution

The Common Council hav-
ing elected Oliver H. Spurr as City Assessor, said action came
up for concurrence, and the ballot having been taken and coun-
ted for such office it appeared that said Spurr was duly chosen
in concurrence.

Ordered: That the Cochituate 15

Water Board be authorized to make their annual report in
print. Read in Common Council. Come up for concurrence
read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 13. 1861. Water
Board

Dr. Henry G. Clark, City Physician City
submitted to the Board his report for the quarter ending Dec. 31.
1860 and presented to the City Council a volume of Sanitary
reports which contained the printed transactions of his office
since his connection therewith and he also declined to be a
candidate for re-election to said office. Read and sent down. In
Common Council. Placed on file.

The Superintendent of Chelsea Chelsea Street
Street Bridge reported that thirty four vessels had passed through
the draw of said bridge in 1860. Read and sent down. In com-
mon Council. Placed on file. Bridge

The Superintendent of Mount Mt. Washington
Washington Avenue Bridge reported that eight three and nine
hundred and seventy two vessels had passed the draw of that
bridge in 1860. Read and sent down. In Common Council.
Placed on file. Avenue Bridge

The Superintendent of the Me- Meridian Street
ridgian Street Bridge reported that eleven hundred and twenty seven
vessels had passed the draw of that bridge in 1860. Read and
sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. Bridge

The Superintendent of the Long Long Street
Street Bridge reported that twenty five hundred and thirty six vessels had
passed the draw of that bridge in 1860. Read and sent down. In
Common Council. Placed on file. Bridge

16. Common Council. Placed on file.

January 11, 1861.

The Inspector in Chief of Polls

presented and read the quarterly ending Dec. 31, 1860, the amount
received by the inspector was six hundred ninety five dol-
lars and seventeen cents, and the office expenses were twenty six
dollars and fifty cents. Read and sent down. In Common Coun-
cil. Placed on file.

Street

The report of the Superintend-
ent of Streets for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1860, was read and
sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Health.

The report of the Superintendent
of Health for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1860, was read and sent
down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

General
Assembly

On motion of Alderman Rich-
the Board took upon the table the resolution relating to a peti-
tion to the Legislature for a repeal of the General Liberty Bill, and
the question being on the passage of said resolution, Alderman Rich-
more moved to substitute therefor the following resolution. Resolved: That
His Honor the Mayor be and he hereby is authorized and re-
quested in behalf of the City Council to petition the Legis-
lature now in session for the repeal of all provisions of the
General Statute, the latter a part of which is repugnant in
conflict with the Constitution and Laws of the United States.
Read and passed unanimously. Sent down in accordance with
an 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Jan 1, 1861.

Agreeably to notice given, 17.

J. Lawrence Miller, Charles Hadden, and J. S. Hadden and J. S. Hadden appeared and remonstrated against the proposed widening of Bedford Street by taking a portion of their estate whereupon the subject was recommended to the Committee on Street.

January 17, 1861
Bedford
Street.

The reports of the Truant Officers in the Northern, Southern, Middle and Central Districts were received and placed on file.

Truant
Officers.

Notice was received that the Suffolk Rail Road Company had accepted on the twelfth of January 1861 the location granted to said Corporation on the fifth of said January. Read and placed on file.

Suffolk
Railroad

Ordered: That the several Standing Committees of this Board resume the unfinished business of the last year which is appropriate to said several Committees.

Unfinished
Business.

Ordered: That the Committee on County Accounts be and they are hereby directed to appear before the appropriate Legislative Committee, and, under the advice of the House the House and the City Solicitor to take charge of the petition of the city of Boston for a change in the existing county relations.

County
relations

Ordered: That the order of the Board in the proposed change of location of the Old Colony and Fall River Rail Road Company in this county be referred to the Committee on Street with instructions to appear before the appropriate Legislative Committee, and to provide for

Old Colony &
Fall River
Railroad.

the City's interests in the matter.

January 14, 1861.

Alderman Weston submitted.

Resolved to the Board the following order. Ordered that the Board be on Streets be and they are hereby directed to appear before the appropriate committee, and under the advice of His Honor the Mayor and the City Solicitor, to take charge of the petition of this City for a Billerment Law. Read and, on motion of Alderman Hatch, laid on the table.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P. M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the Sixteenth day of January, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Clark, Rich and Hatch.

Jurors

Six traverse jurors drawn for the Criminal term of the Superior Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P. M.

A meeting of the Board 19.

of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty first day of January, 1861.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petitions of Joseph Guacson, Guacson.

John J. McEnulty, and Isaac LeMay - regarding appointment as auctioneers in this City. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Alfred Randall Randall.

to be paid damages sustained by certain goods in Lane Street; of Justina Dennison owner of house No 4 Emerald Street to compensation for damages sustained by change of grade in Lane Street; of Jane Lavel and also to be paid damages now sustained by change of grade in Lane Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Clark and Son that Clark

remedy be taken to prevent the flooding of their premises at No 101 Water Street, by the melted snow and surface water from said street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Boston Light Boston Light

Company for the exclusive use of the parade ground on Boston Common on June 1st 1861. Referred to the Committee on the Common &c

Petition of John and John John

to have a bridge for more than four horses and 25 persons. Referred to the Committee on Finance &c.

Petition of Robert M^r Birch

March 21, 1861.

M^r Birch

to report on damage sustained by the construction of the Dedham Street sewer opposite his estate. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Sever.

Petition of Henry Thorne

abatement of assessment for construction of a drain to abate a nuisance in Kennard Court. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Lump.

On nomination by the Mayor

Trust.

William Burdick was appointed Superintendent of Lump.

Commit. Hall.

Charles D. Lee was appointed Superintendent of Commit. Hall.

Guin.

James Smith was appointed Superintendent of Guin.

Measurer.

and Hall: George P. Ray was appointed Head Measurer of Guin.

Ass.

On nomination by the Mayor

Inspector.

John Brown was appointed Inspector of Milk within and for the City of Boston.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor

William A. Knight was appointed a member of the Police Department.

Joint Rules

The Joint Special Committee

appointed.

appointed to prepare Joint Rules and Rules for the City Council, have attended to that duty and beg leave to recommend the adoption of the Rules of the City Council of 1860, with the amendment, also in the accompanying rules. The proposed amendment entitles simply a change in the language in the first section, and the addition to that section of a clause providing a Committee on the Free City Hospital, which in Section 7 permitting transfers of appropriations without re-

quiring a two-thirds vote in their favor, and some verbal amendments 21.
made in the sixth and seventh sections. The Committee, January 21, 1861,
Mr. Thompson. Resolved: That the first rules and orders of the
City Council of 1860, be adopted for the government of the City
Council of 1861, with the following amendments: After the first
section, to read as follows: "Section 1. At the commencement of
the Municipal Year, the following Joint Standing Committees shall
be constituted viz: A Committee on Finance, to consist of seven
members of the Common Council, to be chosen by ballot, and the
Mayor and Chairman of the Board of Aldermen, ex officio. A
Committee on Accounts, to consist of three Aldermen and five
members of the Common Council, all to be chosen by ballot." In-
sert in the same section, in its paragraph on this subject: "A Com-
mittee on the New City Hospital, to consist of two Aldermen and
three members of the Common Council." Strike out the words
"in which case," in the thirteenth line of the seventh section,
and insert the words, "in which latter case." Strike out, in the
sixth section, the words, "by a Secretary to be chosen at the first
meeting." Strike out, in the seventh section the word "clerk"
and insert the word, "clerk of the Committee on Common Coun-
cil." Read, accepted and the rules passed. Came up for concu-
rence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the
Mayor, January 22, 1861.

Resolution of Thomas M. Brewer
of the Finance Committee, praying that temporary accommoda-
tion be provided for the use of children in "English School"
School. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent
down for concurrence. January 24, 1861. Came up for concurrence.

Brewer

English School

Petition of Benjamin Spaulding

January 7, 1861
Petitioner to be paid for damages done to his stock at corner of Main and
Chandler ten shed and Cornhill. Referred to the Committee on Claims.
Sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came up concurred.

Meritt

Petition of Meritt to be paid
in loss of property occasioned by the bad condition of North Charles
shed. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concu-
rence. January 24. Came up concurred.

Appropriations

Communication was
received from the Auditor of Accounts stating that additions are
needed to the appropriation for incidental expenses Grammar School
and Primary Schools. In Common Council. Read and referred
to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred.

Unfinished
business

Ordered: That the several
standing committees resume the business which remains unin-
ished and which is appropriate to said several committees.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Board. January 25, 1861

School Children
Cross

A request from the School Com-
mittee that the City Council would provide for the free passage
of School Children across the East Boston Ferry on their way to
and from the Public High Schools. Referred in Common Council
to the Committee on Public Instruction. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Order
of
election of

Ordered: That the Committee
on Ordinances be requested to consider the expediency of rephrasing

an Ordinance repealing so much of the Ordinance passed March 5. 1861 as requires the City Council to elect all their officers on the first day of January or within sixty days thereafter. Passed in common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 21. 1861.

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The Superintendent of the Federal Street Bridge reported, that, during the year 1860, five thousand six hundred and eighty five vessels passed the draw of said bridge. Read and sent down. In common Council. Placed on file.

Federal Street
Bridge

The Common Council having elected Horace J. Rockwell as Clerk of Committees, said action came up for concurrence: and the roll call having been taken and counted it appeared that said Rockwell was elected in concurrence.

Clerk of
Committees

Ordered: That Messrs. McLaughlin, Foster and Brown with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to nominate four suitable persons as candidates for the offices of Lighter and Inspector of Ballast. Passed in common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Brewster and Hatch were joined. Approved by the Mayor. January 22. 1861.

Lighters
& Ballast.

Ordered: That a Committee of one from each Ward, with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to nominate candidates for the offices of Chief Engineer and Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, and Messrs. Joseph H. Sampson of Ward 2, Albert J. of Ward 3, Edmund J. of Ward 4, Joseph J. of Ward 5, William J. of Ward 6, John J. of Ward 7, John J. of Ward 8, Clark J. of Ward 9, and

Fire Dept.
Engineers

24. Rep. of Board 10. Resolved of Board 11, and further of Board 12,
January 11, 1861 were appointed on said Committee. Passed in Common Council.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen
Rich, Hatch, Ray, Furminter and Stanton were joined. Approved by
the Mayor, January 22, 1861.

From
Railroads.

Ordered: That a Committee of
three from the Common Council with such as the Board of
Aldermen may join be a committee to advocate before the Rail
Road Committee of the Legislature the petition of Paul Curtis, Es.
Nighting, Thomas Hollis and other citizens of Boston, asking for a
law authorizing the Board of Aldermen of this city to locate the
different Rail Roads of the city and the track of one another
there, as in the opinion of the Board, the public convenience and
require for the purpose of forming a complete system of Rail Road
communication between the different portions of the city, and to pro-
vide the modes in which the different corporations may use the
locations which may be granted them in common; and Messrs
Stockwell, Southwick and Brewster were appointed on said Com-
mittee. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred and Aldermen Furminter and Stanton were joined.

Military
Hall

Ordered: That the Committee
on Public Buildings inquire into the expediency of obtaining
a suitable lot of land whereon to erect a building for Military
drills and exercises, and also a suitable place for the storage
and safe keeping of Military Arms. Passed in Common Council.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the
Mayor January 22, 1861.

Ordered: That no person shall 25.

be elected or appointed to office by the City Government, who does not reside and pay taxes in the City. Read in Common Council. June 21. 1861. 6th Street residence.

May, June 2. 1861.

The Common Council having Federal Street

ordered Christopher Stunkett as Superintendent of the Federal Street Bridge: said action came up for concurrence, and petition having been read from Tribune Southard and others William Tye and Sons and others in favor of the appointment of C. Stunkett to said office, the ballots were taken and counted for said Superintendent, and it appeared that the said Stunkett was elected in concurrence.

The Common Council having American Street Bridge elected Isaac Knight as Superintendent of the American Street Bridge: said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appeared that said Knight was chosen in concurrence.

The Common Council Mount Hope Bridge ordered James Crocker as Superintendent of Mount Hope Bridge for five years: said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Superintendent it appeared that said Crocker was elected in concurrence.

The Common Council having chosen Street Bridge Edward C. Shaw as Superintendent of the Chelsea Street Bridge: said action came up for concurrence and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appeared that said Shaw was elected in concurrence.

The Common Council having
 decided George A. Davis as Superintendent of the Mount Pleasant
 M. P. Hospital under former rules, said action came up for concurrence and
 the ballots having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appeared that said Davis was elected in concurrence

Soree Street

The Common Council having

Bridge. decided John A. Gifford as Superintendent of Soree Street Bridge,
 said action came up for concurrence; and the ballots having
 been taken and counted for said Superintendent it appeared
 that Ebenezer C. Gorman was chosen, this Board thereby non-con-
 currence with the Common Council in the choice of said Gif-
 ford. Sent down for concurrence.

Mayor's

The Joint Special Committee

Address.

appointed to consider and report what disposition shall be made
 of the various matters treated upon in the Mayor's Address, beg-
 leave to recommend the passage of the accompanying order.
 In the Committee, James C. Johnson, Chairman. Ordered: That
 so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to Schools be referred
 to the Committee on Public Instruction: That so much as relates
 to a New City Hall be referred to the Committee on Public
 Buildings: That so much as relates to the Free City Hospital be
 referred to the Committee on the Free City Hospital. Read, accept-
 ed and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 24
 came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 25th.

Series

Ordered: That so much of the
 Mayor's Address as relates to the East Boston Series be referred
 to a Joint Special Committee. Passed and Aldermen Maynard

been were appointed a joint committee, sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came up concurred and Messrs Parker, Bowdoin and Boardman were joined. Approved by the Mayor Jan^y 25. 1861. 27.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Order as relates to the widening of Tremont and Washington Streets, be referred to a joint Special Committee to consist of the Committees on Streets of the two branches. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 25. 1861. Tremont Street. Washington Street.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Order as relates to the extension of Albany Street be referred to the Committee on Streets; that so much as relates to the Sea-Wall in South Wharfe Street be referred to the Committee on Internal Health; that so much as relates to the grade of Street on the Back Bay be referred to the Committee on Streets; that so much as relates to the Sewerage of the Back Bay District be referred to the Committee on Sewers; that so much as relates to the Public Garden be referred to the Committee on the Common and Public Squares; that so much as relates to the Liquor Law be referred to the Committee on Licenses; and that so much as relates to the County Accounts be referred to the Committee on County Accounts. Passed. Approved by the Mayor January 25. 1861. Sea-Wall. Back Bay Street, and Sewerage. Public Garden. Liquor Law. County Accounts.

The joint Special Committee appointed to nominate suitable persons for Directors of Institutions, have attended to that duty and would respectfully recommend the election of the following named persons: From the Board of Aldermen, George H. Barnard; From the Common Council, John

Institutions.
Directors of

28. C. Tucker, Justin Jones, At Large, J. Putnam Bradley, Francis D. Hedman and William Eaton. To the Committee Nathan Weston, Chairman. In common council. read and accepted. coming up for concurrence. Read and concurred. On motion of Alderman Price, the Board proceeded to ballot for six Directors for the Public Institution, and the ballots being taken and counted, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was twelve, necessary for choice, seven. George W. Parmenter had eleven. John C. Tucker eleven. Justin Jones, twelve. Ezra N. Baker, seven. William M. Flinders, seven. Samuel Hatch, one. Robert Crodin, one. J. Putnam Bradley, six. Francis D. Hedman, three. William Eaton, three. Francis E. Fayon, two. Jesse Holbrook, six. Joseph W. Howard, two. So that Messrs Parmenter, Tucker, Jones, Baker and Flinders were chosen, having one vacancy. On a second ballot for one Director, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was twelve, necessary for choice seven. William Eaton had three. Joseph W. Howard one. Francis E. Fayon one. J. Putnam Bradley, two. Jesse Holbrook five. no choice. On a third ballot for one Director it appeared that the whole number of ballots was twelve necessary for choice seven. Jesse Holbrook had six. William Eaton, two. J. Putnam Bradley, two. Francis E. Fayon, one. F. D. Hedman, one. No choice. On a fourth ballot for one Director, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was twelve necessary for choice seven. Jesse Holbrook had seven. William Eaton, two. J. P. Bradley, two. F. E. Fayon, one. So said Holbrook was chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

Charlestown.

Ordered: That the order of notice in relation to the proposed annexation of Charlestown to Boston be taken from the files and referred to the committee on said subject with instructions to protect the City's interests before the Legislature.

Read. Sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came up concurred. 24.
Approved by the Mayor. January 25. 1861

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Alderman Price submitted to Union
the Board the following Resolves. Resolved: That the City Council
of Boston, as the representatives of the citizens, in view of the
present distressed state of the country, desire to express their
inalienable devotion to the Union and the Constitution. Resolved:
That they respectfully and earnestly memorialize the Senate
and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, that such
measures of a pacific and conciliatory character may be im-
mediately adopted as will effectively check the spirit of disunion,
and tend to consolidate the fraternal bonds of our National brother-
hood. Resolved: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is, hereby,
requested to transmit, in behalf of the City Council, a copy of these
resolutions to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the
House of Representatives of the United States, with the request
that they would lay them before the bodies in which they re-
spectively preside. Read twice and passed unanimously. Sent down
for concurrence.

The Trustees of the Public Li- Library
brary having voted to recommend Charles C. Jewett as a suitable
person to fill the office of Superintendent of the Public Libra-
ry at a salary of two thousand dollars per annum. Said action
was transmitted to this Board. Read, and thereupon the ballots
having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appear-
ed that Charles C. Jewett was elected. Sent down for concurrence. Jan-
uary 31. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken
and counted for a Superintendent of the Library, it appeared that
Charles C. Jewett was elected Superintendent.

30. Simeon B. Smith was chosen. Sent down for concurrence January
January 21, 1861. 24. Came up concurred.

Physician The ballots having been taken
and counted for a Port Physician it appeared that John M. Mori-
arty was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came up
concurred.

Shab The ballots having been taken
and counted for a Superintendent of Shab it appeared that
Alfred J. Turner was chosen. Sent down for concurrence January 31
Came up concurred.

Land The ballots having been taken
and counted for a Superintendent of Public Land it appeared
that Robert W. Hull was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January
31. Came up concurred.

Fire The ballots having been taken and
counted for a Superintendent of Fire Arms, it appeared that
John S. Brown was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January
31. Came up concurred.

City The ballots having been taken
and counted for a City Registrar it appeared that Nicholas A.
Moriarty was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came
up concurred.

City The ballots having been taken and
counted for a City Solicitor it appeared that John P. Hardy was
chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

City The ballots having been taken
and counted for a City Engineer it appeared that James Hude
was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came up concurred.

The ballots having been taken 31

in and counted by a Superintendent of Health it appeared that
one bid had been chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 31.
Came up concurred.

The ballots having been

in and counted by a Superintendent of Health it appeared that
L. Jones was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 31. Came
up concurred.

The ballots having been taken

in and counted by a Superintendent of Public Buildings it ap=
peared that Samuel C. Village was chosen. Sent down for concurrence.
January 24. Came up concurred.

Albiman Price reported to the

Board that the Committee on Accounts had elected Samuel Hatch
a chairman of said Committee.

Samuel C. Village, Treasurer

sent a report of Public Buildings submitted to the Board as annual
report for the year 1860. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Agreeably to the report of the

Committee on Finance leave was granted to the Board to man=
ufacture Spirituous Liquors at St. Charles Street.

Agreeably to the report of the

Committee on Finance, James F. Baker was appointed an Auctioneer
at St. Louis, roadway.

Agreeably to the report of the

Committee on Finance leave was granted to Frederick E. Woodward
to keep an Intercourse Office at St. Franklin Street.

On a petition of the Metropolitan

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Metropolitan

Board

and company that the time allowed for the acceptance of the location granted to said company in the 18th instant may be extended to the 1st of February next, it was voted that the prayer of the petition be granted. Approved by the Board January 22, 1861

Fence

Viewers &c

Ordered: That Aldermen Spinney

and Wilson be appointed a committee to nominate suitable persons for the offices of Fence Viewers - Inspectors of Lime - Cullers of Hoops and Staves - and Field Drivers and Pound Keepers

Carroll

North Street

On the petition of Francis S.

Carroll and others that North Street may be widened from N. 133 to Exchange Street, the Committee on Streets reported that the measure is inexpedient at this time. Read and accepted.

July List

Ordered: That the list of names

in this list who are qualified to vote in the annual election of the Board of Supervisors be added to this Board and reported in the list that and sent Home and be thereupon submitted to the common council for action pursuant to law. Approved by the Mayor, January 22, 1861.

Richard

Ordered: That there be paid

to Sylvester Richards the sum of sixteen hundred dollars, for labor performed and materials furnished under contract for the removal and repair of the buildings on the estate of Lord and Gravel taken to widen North Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge therefor; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening North Street. Read twice and passed.

ed. Approved by the Mayor, January 22. 1861.

Ordered: That there be paid to Stillman H. Libby the sum of four thousand dollars, for his entire estate purchased near North Street, to widen said street, and for the progency and damages to buildings, claims of tenants, and for all demands against said estate of any nature whatsoever - upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge to all demands, cost and expenses in consequence of said purchase; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening North Street. read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, January 22. 1861.

Ordered: That the several orders of notice in relation to the Legislature for alterations of existing horse railroad charters, and for the establishment of new corporations be taken from the files and referred to the committee on roads and that said Committee be authorized to protect the City's interests before the Legislature in these matters.

Ordered: That the City Engineer be directed to prepare plans showing a proposed extension of Broadway from South Boston to Albany Street including plans and estimates for a bridge having a draw of suitable width to allow of the passage of vessels of a large size as can pass through the draw of the present Federal Street Bridge. read twice & passed. Approved by the Mayor, January 22. 1861.

Ordered: That the House of Deception on North Dear Street be placed in the charge of the City Engineer, who is authorized to employ such assistance as he

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Libby

Horse

railroad

Charters

Broadway

extension

House of

Deception

34. may deem necessary under the direction of of the Committee on
January 21. 1861. Cemeteries. Approved by the Mayor January 22. 1861.

Committee
message are received from
the School Committee to the effect that vacancies exist in that
body caused by the resignation of Francis E. Parker of Ward 3, and
Charles B. Siglar and Edward N. Imboden of Ward 4, and a
Convention of said School Committee and Mayor and Aldermen
to be held on the 10th of February next at 10 o'clock P.M. to re-
fill vacancies in said body, public notice is hereby given and
thereupon ordered that a message be returned to the School Committee
stating that this Board concurs in said proposition.

Hull Street
Cemetery
The Committee on Cemeteries
wherein it is stated among the urgent duties of the
Board to report in favor of the discontinuance of
the Hull Street Cemetery, having considered the same, report in
favor of the discontinuance of said Cemetery as a place of burial,
and they therefore advise the passage of the accompanying
resolution as a preliminary step to the discontinuance of the
Cemetery, Chairman. Whereas, in the opinion of this Board, the
safety and health of the inhabitants of this City require that
the piece of ground bordering on Hull and Shawhill Streets, and
known as Hull Street Cemetery, should be discontinued as a
place of burial, it is hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to
Edward L. ... of the ... and all
other parties interested that this Board will, on Monday the ...
day of February next, at four o'clock, P.M. take into consideration
the expediency of the discontinuance of said Hull Street Cemetery.

is a piece of land, which is now in the hands of the
city and is now in the hands of the city. Read once. 1861

Ordered: That the Board ac- Sharon
cept and adopt the grade of Sharon Street between Harrison
Street and Henry Street, and of the passageway leading
from the same, as shown on a plan and profile of said Sharon
Street made by James Glade, City Engineer, and deposited in the
office of the Board of Aldermen. Read once.

Ordered: That Eighth Street, Eighth
Street
as extended north of 2^d Street sixty feet, as described in
a deed of the trustees of George Blake dated March 19, 1859, be and
the same hereby is accepted and dedicated as a public highway. accepted &
graded.
Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade
the above described part of Eighth Street, the aldermen thereon hav-
ing given a bond to the city relinquishing all claims for grade
damages. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the
twenty third day of January, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present
The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Rich, Mil-
ton, and Sumner and Eaton.

Eight cases were drawn to the
criminal term of the Superior Court.
Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

of the City of Boston held at City Hall in Boston
the twenty eighth day of January, 1844.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Elliott

Petition of C. B. Elliott for leave
to compile, with a report from the City, a statistical notice from
the facts afforded by the recent census. Referred to the Committee
on County Accounts.

Huntington

Petition of Ralph Huntington
to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Chap-
man Street, whereby his houses on Suffolk Street are inundated
by surface water. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

O'Connor

Petition of Bartholomew O'Connor
to be compensated for damages sustained by change of grade in
Chapman Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Tickety

Petition of Daniel Tickety to be com-
pensated for damages occasioned by change of grade in Cambridge
Street, whereby the surface water flows into his premises. Referred
to the Committee on Paving.

Terry

Iron pavement

A memorial from Harriet T. Terry
claiming that the iron pavement recently laid down in Congress
Street is an infringement on her patent right, and offering to
sell a license to use the same to the City. Referred to the Committee
on Paving.

Wells

Petition of William S. Wells that
a petition of Blackstone Street may be discontinued now and

state. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

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Petition of A. A. Hunne-
ment to be paid for land taken to widen Honolulu Street and
and Leroushine Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

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Hunne-

Petition of the Administrator
of Charles Moran to be paid for land taken to widen Springfield Street.
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Moran

Petition of W. Ward and others
for leave to take ground from Specter's land. Referred to the
Committee on the Harbor on the part of this Board.

Ward

Petition of Albert Fearing
and others for the use of Honolulu Hall on the 15th day of June
as held in a public meeting in relation to the "Vote of the Century."
Referred to the Committee on Honolulu Hall with full power.

Fearing

Honolulu Hall

Petition of William C. Ficks
and others that the Pond in the Public Garden may be flowed
for fishing purposes. Referred to the Committee on the Common &c.

Ficks

A communication from the Mayor
in relation to some legislative action on the condition of the West-
ern Avenue which may affect the interests of the City. Referred
to the Committee on Finance with authority to appear before the
Legislature in the matter.

Western

Avenue

On nomination of the Mayor
Charles F. Baker was appointed a member of Steam Engine &c.
in force of P. O. No. 10 signed.

The

Department

March 21, 1861

Members

On nomination by the Mayor
the following persons were appointed Assessors of the City for this
year to the several wards: Saml. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond,
S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond,
Sam. Merrill, John White, Levi Whitcomb, William Goolley, Charles Cook,
Lewis Jones, David Menden, John W. Pierce, Nahum P. Whitney, James
Lynde, Luther E. Turtell, Job T. Cole, George Johnson, William H.
Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond, S. H. Bond,
Field, John H. Park, John Fairabee, and David Gugenheimer.

City

Council

On nomination by the Mayor, John
H. Bond was appointed a Highways of the City at the North Scale,
and Maurice B. Rowe a Highways of the City at the South Scale.

Morse

Morse Avenue

Thomas Sidney Morse has given
notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Morrison
Avenue, near Waltham Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion
of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants re-
quire that the said street should be widened at the place de-
scribed in the said notice, it is therefore resolved, that due
notice be given to the said Sidney B. Morse that this Board in-
tend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the
land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out
the same as a public street - and that Monday, the first day
of February next at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time
for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Petition

Petition of L. Baldo (agent)
(agent) to be paid for loss of a building removed from several

and leased to John Simonds as a stable, which building
was taken down by the Board of Health as an alleged nuisance,
referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence.
January 31. Came up concurred.

Petition of Mrs Mary Meloy for
statement of her case in the case of the Meloy v. the Board of Health
in the Assessors Department. Sent down for concurrence, January
31. Came up concurred.

Petition of Thomas J. Meloy for
statement of his case in the case of the Meloy v. the Board of Health
in the Assessors Department. Sent down for concurrence.
January 31. Came up concurred.

Petition of James H. Turnbull to
be compensated for an action brought against him for an assault
made in the discharge of his duty as a Police Officer. Referred to
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. January 31
came up concurred.

Petition of Thomas F. Turnbull to be
paid for personal injuries sustained by him from insecurity of
situation in Suffolk Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims.
Sent down for concurrence January 31. Came up concurred.

Petition of John J. Throod to
be paid for personal injuries sustained from insecurity of site
work in Union Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent
down for concurrence. January 31. Came up concurred.

Petition of William F. Cannon
to be paid for a room in the city of New York in which to hold an

110. evening adult school. Referred to the Committee on Public Build-

ing. May 20. 1861. Read and concurred. January 21. 1861. Read and concurred.

Mr. Intire

Petition of Mr. Intire and Mr. Intire

to be appointed City Printer. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Printing. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Appropriation

The Committee on Finance hav-

ing duly considered the communication of the Auditor of Accounts of the seventeenth instant, voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order, authorizing certain transfers of existing appropriations. For the Committee, Joseph M. Wightman, Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be and he is authorized to make the following transfers of existing appropriations, viz: from General Fund to Grammar Schools ten thousand dollars: from Interest to Primary Schools ten thousand dollars: from Lamps to Incidental Expenses & Miscellaneous Claims, seven thousand dollars. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 29. 1861.

City

Board

The Common Council having elect-

ed Oliver Stevens as City Solicitor in place of John P. Healy who was chosen by this Board, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballot having been taken and counted it appeared that the whole number of ballots was twelve. Necessary for choice seven. John P. Healy had eight. Oliver Stevens four. So said Healy was again chosen: this Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in its choice of Oliver Stevens. Sent down for concurrence.

The Common Council having 41.

acted. Some suggested as ^{sup}intendant of ^{the} Poor that Judge January 28. 1861
in place of Ebenezer C. Luman who was chosen by this Branch, Lower Street
said action came up for concurrence; and the ballots having Bridge
been taken and counted for said ^{sup}intendant, it appeared that
John C. Peterson was chosen - this Board thereby non-concurring with
the Common Council in its choice of said Gaffield. Sent down
for concurrence.

Ordered: That Messrs Parker, City
Amory and Sprague with such as the Board of Aldermen may join Hospital
to the Standing Committee on a new City Hospital. Come up for
concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Amory and
Wilson were joined.

To the Honorable the Mayor & Choate
Aldermen of the City of Boston: The undersigned respectfully
do leave to present to the City of Boston a portrait of the late Rufus
Choate, its origin, time, and to request that it may be placed in
Council Hall. The Honorable Messrs. Wm. H. Garrison, Benj.
A. Bates, Franklin Haven, G. L. Sigbee, Geo. Willis, Benj. F. Butler,
J. E. Howell, J. E. Hoar, Micah Linn, H. Quincy, J. C. Bryant, Edward
C. Parker, John A. Coulburn, J. H. Prince, J. W. Prescott, James Anthony, J. M.
Amory, Francis Woodman, J. H. Fiske, John L. Stearns. Read: and there-
upon it was Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council be pre-
sented to the Honorable and his associates for their valuable gift
to the City of a portrait of the late Rufus Choate and that an ap-
propriate position in Council Hall be assigned for this memorial
of one of our most honored fellow-citizens, distinguished jurist,
ablest and most public spirited statesman. Ordered: That a copy of this
vote be transmitted to the donors. Sent down for concurrence, January

31. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 1. 1861.

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Phillips
request

His Honor the Mayor of the City of Boston. Sir: In a codicil to the will of Jonathan Phillips, Esq. dated Sept. 28th 1849, and proved with said will Sept. 10th 1860, there is this item: "To the City of Boston I give twenty thousand dollars to be expended in procuring and maintaining a public library in said City, and I give to said City, the sum of twenty thousand dollars as a trust fund, the income from which shall be annually expended to adorn and embellish the streets and public places in said City. The Executors of this will respectfully request you, that they deem it necessary to have a vote of the City Government passed, accepting these trust funds, for the purpose of executing the trusts respecting them and giving some person authority, to receive and give all proper releases to the Executors for the same when paid. Your respects to Col. W. M. L. Scher. And, and that you be assured: that the request in the will of Jonathan Phillips, of Twenty thousand dollars to the City of Boston to maintain the Public Library; and of Twenty thousand dollars for the embellishment of the Public Squares and Streets of this City are most justly and earnestly adopted by the City Council of Boston. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to receive from the executors of the will of the late Jonathan Phillips the bequest of Fifty thousand dollars and to invest the same in any safe and profitable manner. Twenty thousand dollars of which shall be added to the Phillips Library Fund, its income to be annually devoted to the maintenance of the Public Library, and the remaining twenty thousand dollars to be called the Phillips Trust Fund, the income of which may be annually expended to the

Board of Aldermen, subject to the approval of the Mayor, London 40.
and embodied the Draft and. Fictive Places of this title. Sent three January 28, 1861.
and passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 31. Same approved.
approved by the Mayor February 1, 1861.

Ordered: That Aldermen Hill, Cockburn,
 Don and Price with such as the Common Council may join be
 a Committee to nominate a Cockburn Water Board. Sent down
 for concurrence. January 31. Same agreed and Messrs. Hen-
 shaw, Staver and Cowdin were joined. Approved by the Mayor,
 February 1. 1861.

The Special Committee appointed to nominate candidates for the offices of Fence Viewers, Inspectors of Lime, Cullers of Hops and Staves, Field Drivers and Grand Keepers, have attended to that duty and recommend the re-appointment of the following persons. To the Committee, Ebenezer L. Finney, Chairman, Fence Viewers - Guy C. Hughes, Hiram Nelson. Inspectors of Lime - Andrew Hibel. Cullers of Hops and Staves - Levi Beck - Benjamin Hibel. Field Drivers and Grand Keepers - Amos Lincoln, Ephraim Gallup, James Underhill. Read, accepted and said nominations were confirmed by this Board. Sent down for concurrence. January 31. Came up concurred.

January 2. 1861. in order to consult with the Committee of the Board upon the expedi-
ency of erecting in different sections of our city drinking foun-
tains for the use of the people. Sent down for concurrence. January
3. 1861. Came up concurred. Approved by the Board. January 11. 1861.

Harbor

The ballots having been taken

and

and counted for a Master of the Harbor it appeared that John T.
Mason was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 3. 1861. Came
up concurred.

Register

The ballots having been taken

and

and counted for a Register it appeared that William S.
Davis was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 3. 1861. Came
up concurred.

Librarian

The ballots having been taken

and counted for a Librarian of the Public Library it appeared
that Edward Baker was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Janu-
ary 3. 1861. Came up concurred.

House of
Correction

The ballot having been taken and

counted for a Master of the House of Correction, it appeared that
Charles Robbins was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 3.
Came up concurred.

Engineers

The ballots having been taken

of the City

Secretary.

and counted for a Secretary of the Board of Engineers of the Fire
Department, it appeared that George C. Richardson was chosen. Sent
down for concurrence.

Garden

A vote of thanks to the Board

and

for its interest in keeping the Garden on the Public Garden property
more for skating purposes. Signed by Fred S. Apple and others. Done

The order submitted at the

January 18. 1861

last meeting of the Board to accept eighth Street sixty feet west of 2^d St. and for the Superintendent of Streets to grade the same were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor January 29. 1861.

eighth Street.

The order submitted at the

March

last meeting of the Board to accept the grade of Sharon Street between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor January 29. 1861.

Sharon Street

Ordered: That there be paid to

William

arch. S. Sullivan the sum of fifteen hundred and fifty and $\frac{5}{10}$ dollars, for a portion of the land taken to widen North Street, from the estate of the late Isaac S. Rowe, bounded as follows, to wit: Northwestwardly by the northwestly line of North Street as the same was established by a Resolue approved December 23. 1859 to widening said Street, there measuring seventeen feet and $\frac{5}{10}$ inches westerly to Harrison Avenue twenty feet and $\frac{5}{10}$ inches easterly by the former line of said Street sixteen feet and $\frac{5}{10}$ and Southwardly by a portion of land described in said Resolue taken from the heirs of Isaac S. Rowe there being three feet $\frac{5}{10}$ containing three hundred and ninety nine square feet more or less. And a piece of land bounded as follows: Northwestwardly to the northwestly line of North Street as established by the said Resolue, there measuring thirty seven feet and $\frac{5}{10}$ Northeastwardly to land described in said Resolue as taken from the heirs of Elizabeth Beatty $\frac{3}{10}$ of a foot; Southeastwardly by land described in said Resolue as taken from Hatch Crocker and John B. Be

Ordered: That the Superin- 47

tendent of Mercur Hall Market be and he is hereby authorized January 28. 1861
to employ a Deputy to assist him in the discharge of the duties Market.
of his office, subject to the approval of His Honor the Mayor. Read Deputy Supt:
twice and passed.

Agreeably to the recommen- Fire
dation of the Board of Directors of the Fire Department, the nomi- Department
inations of the following Officers were confirmed by the Board, viz: officers
Hook and Ladder Company #1. Fire Place Foreman Thomas Quinn,
Assistant Foreman George Slater, Clerk Hook and Ladder Company
#2 Charles Bennett, Foreman Benjamin S. Wilson, Assistant
Foreman George H. Craft, Clerk Hook and Ladder Company #3 James
W. Hurston, Foreman S. U. Clifford, Assistant Foreman J. B. Prescott,
Clerk.

Ordered: That there be paid Hill.
to Timothy J. Hill and Company the sum of four hundred dollars,
for his leasehold interest in so much of the estate numbered
two hundred and seventeen on the southerly side of North Street
as was taken to widen said street, and for all damages of every
nature whatsoever, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and
discharge for the same, for all damages, costs and expense in
consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for widening North Street. Read once.

Ordered: That the Chief of Dog
Office be, and he is hereby, instructed to cause all dogs to be killed Dog
which are doing at large, and which have not been licensed
and collared according to the Statutes of the Commonwealth, un-
til April 1st 1861. Read once

January 28, 1861

Horse
Railroad
penalty

which were referred to several petitions of Messrs. Bunker, Thomas Bancroft and others, and L. Bonney and others in relation to the running of horse freight and the grinding of salt on the Horse railroad tracks, would report that they have given the necessary instructions to the Superintendent of Streets and that no action is required on the part of the Board at the present time further than to recommend the adoption of the accompanying order. For the committee. Res. H. Remondet. Ordered; That His Honor the Mayor be requested to petition the General Court of Massachusetts now in session, that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston may be empowered to afford penalties to the non-compliance with the regulations governing the several Horse Railroad Corporations as said Board of Aldermen in their judgment shall deem sufficient to insure the safety of public travel. Read once

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fourth day of February Anno Domini 1861

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Edward Hunt 119
for an abatement of assessment for construction of a turn in
along street. Referred to the Committee on Taxes
February 4, 1861
Hunt

Petition of M. M. Ballou for
a turn in South Williams Street. Referred to the Committee on
Taxes
Ballou

Petition of the Boston Light
Artillery for improved accommodations at their Armory in Cooper
Street. Referred to the Committee on Armories.
Boston Light
Artillery

Petition of Joseph Willard, Clerk
of the Superior Court for increased accommodations in his office
in the County Court House. Referred to the Committee on the ex-
tension of the Court House.
Willard
Court House

Petition of the Shawmut Gas
Light Company for permission to use the street of
this city to lay gas pipe therein. Referred to the Committee on
Paving.
Shawmut
Gas Company

Petition of Charles L. Holbrook
to be paid for damages occasioned by change of grade in Shaw-
mut Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.
Holbrook

Petition of G. M. Wood to be paid
for damages occasioned by change of grade in Foster Street. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Paving.
Wood

Petition of Isaac L. Leonard
to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in South
Street, near S. Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.
Leonard

Boullée

A letter was received from Jan-

On nomination by the Mayor,

On nomination by the Maya, H:

number 8. Frachin was appointed a member of the company A's
and Henry F. Young was appointed a member of the company B's.

On nomination by the Mayor the pres.

On nomination by the Mayor in

J. Dyer, George A. Morse, James H. Stone, Stephen H. Bond. Feb. 11 51

Barrett, John Pince. Squants - Nathaniel Emerson, John V. Noyes, February 11/51

John H. Lamb, James G. Stone, James H. Smith, James H. Stone

George H. Stone, George H. Stone, George H. Stone, Richard Stone,

James H. Stone, James H. Stone, James H. Stone, James H. Stone

Thos. H. Stone, John H. Stone, James H. Stone, James H. Stone

Benjamin Stone, Superintendent of Stock Carriage Co. Thos. H. Stone

Superintendent of Stock Carriage Co. Thos. H. Stone, Thos. H. Stone

Office George H. Stone, Superintendent of Stock Carriage Co. Thos. H. Stone

Anderson, Thos. H. Stone, Superintendent of Stock Carriage Co. Thos. H. Stone

Superintendent of Stock Carriage Co. Thos. H. Stone, Thos. H. Stone

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William Board on with Edward J. Thompson, Charles West 53.

George H. Hill, William Adams, E. H. Hunt, Miss H. Hunt, Jan. 7. February 4, 1861
Anti-Slavery Society, Maria Hunt, John S. Hunt, Columbus, Samuel
Jackson, James H. Luzzett, John A. Lake, John A. Smith, & H. Luzzett

No person appearing to ob-
ject to the proposed widening of Harrison Avenue near Waltham
Street by taking land of Henry S. Hunt and subject was recom-
mended to the Committee on Streets.

Harrison
Avenue

A message was received
from the School Committee stating that a vacancy exists in that
body by the resignation of Edward A. Fox, and be-
sides a convention of the Mayor, Aldermen and School Committee
to fill said vacancy on February eighteenth at four o'clock, P.M., of
which public notice is to be given. Read and thereupon it was
ordered that a message be sent to the School Committee stating
that this Branch concurs in said proposition.

School
Committee

A memorial of the Board of
Trade in favor of the establishment of a Nautical Science Ship
by the City of Boston. Read and referred to the Committee on
Nautic Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. February 7. Came up
concurred.

Nautical
School

Ordered: That the Trustees of
Mount Hope Cemetery be authorized to submit their Annual Report
in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 6, 1861.

Mount Hope
Cemetery

Ordered: That the following

Treasury 4. 1861

Bills

to be paid

for materials a bill furnished by person connected directly or indirectly with the City Government be paid; provided they are approved and allowed in the usual manner, viz: Smith and Hubbard nine hundred and eight cents; Lewis Clark, three hundred and eighty five dollars and sixty five cents; Stephen Smith & Co. fifty two dollars; H. J. Sumrell, one hundred and fifty six cents and twenty five cents; Weeks and Butler fifty four dollars and ninety three cents; George P. French, seventeen dollars and eighty nine cents; Louis Beck, fifteen dollars. Read in Common Council came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 6. 1861.

Head

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of John E. Head to be paid for damage done to his vessel while he was rendering assistance to a Police Officer, on the night of August 1856 have considered the same, and would respectfully recommend that the petition be dismissed. In the Committee, this was, Chairman read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Treasury, came up concurred.

Head

City Engineer.

A communication was presented

signed by Stephen J. Head and containing certain charges against the official conduct of James H. Hark, City Engineer. Read in Common Council and the Mayor Ordered: That Messrs. May, Rich & Richards with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to inquire into and report upon the matters in the communication of S. J. Head respecting the transactions of the City Engineer. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Messrs. May, Rich and Richards were appointed. Approved by the Mayor.

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Ordered: That the Committee

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on Fire Alarms cause a Fire Alarm Box to be placed on the
north side of Long Street for the purpose of a more direct com-
munication with the Central Station, in case of fire in that vi-
cinity. Passed in Common Council. & came up for concurrence, and
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. February 6, 1861

Fire
Alarm

The Common Council having
elected George A. Allen as Secretary of the Board of Engineers of
the Fire Department in place of George E. Richardson who was
chosen by this Board, and action came up for concurrence, and
the ballots having been taken and counted for said Secretary,
it appeared that George A. Allen was chosen in concurrence.

Engineers
Secretary

Ordered: That the Committee

Steam

on Ordinances be instructed to amend so much of the Fire
Ordinance, passed 1850 as relates to the organization of Steam
Engine Companies so that it may conform more nearly to the
existing organizations of said companies. Passed in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. And and concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor. February 6, 1861

Fire Engines

The ballots having been taken
and counted for a Surveyor of Marble it appeared that Thomas
Wayne was chosen. And action for concurrence. & came up
and concurred.

Marble
Surveyor

Henry G. Clark, late City Mus-
ician, transmitted to the Board certain documents in relation
to the organization of the Cholera Hospital in this city in 1854.

Clark

and of the Small Pox Hospital in 1859. 60. Read and sent
February 4. 1861. down.

Clark.

thanks to.

Alderman Rich submitted to the Board the following Resolve - Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be and they hereby are tendered to Doctor Amos G. Clark for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has performed the duties of his office as City Physician for the last eleven years. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Alderman Rich concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 8. 1861.

Fire Dept.

Engineers

The Joint Special Committee appointed to nominate to the City Council suitable persons for a City Engineer and Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, have considered the matter and beg leave to report the following as the unanimous nomination of the Committee. To the Committee, James P. Van Hook, Chairman. City Engineer - George H. Reid. Assistant Engineer, District 1 - Nathaniel W. Hall. District 2 - John J. Samrell. District 3 - David C. McKeon. District 4 - David Chamberlain. District 5 - John C. Smith. District 6 - George W. Brown. District 7 - George H. Barker. At Large - Charles C. Henry - William A. Green. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Assessors

Ordered: That a Committee of three be appointed with such of the Board of Aldermen may join to nominate four principal and nine per diem Assessors for the year 1861 and three vice principals and Surveys were appointed on said Committee. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Rich and Fay were joined. Approved by the Mayor February 6. 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee 57

on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to appropriate and fit up a room in the City Building for use of the members hanging to the Steam Fire engine 1 1/2 located under City Hall, and that the expense of the same be charged to the appropriation to the Fire Department. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Thomas Smith
Hiram Crovins

Ordered: That there be paid

Smith

to Stephen Smith Jr. & family school furniture, upon their bill in the same being duly audited and allowed, the sum of fifteen hundred and ninety seven dollars and sixty one cents.

Passed in Common Council came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 6. 1861.

The petition of George W. Simpson

Simpson

for compensation for injuries sustained by the Schooner Cienfuegos in Boston Harbor in 1860 which petition was referred from the last City Council to the present one, was taken up and referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. February 7. Came up concurred.

The Common Council having

City

again chosen their Clerk as before Solicitor in place of John P. Healy, who was elected to this Board, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been again taken and counted for said officer it appeared that John P. Healy was chosen by this Board. Sent down for concurrence. February 7. Came up concurred.

Solicitor

Petition of Caroline M. Perry for

Perry

statement of tax for the year 1860. Read and referred to the Com-

58. miller on the Assessors Department. Sent down for concurrence Feb
March 4. 1861 came up concurred.

Hander Petition of David H. Hanger and
others that an Alarm Bell be placed on the Engine House in Sum-
ner Street. Referred to the Committee on Lamps, Bells &c.

Printing

Ordered: That the Committee on
Ordinances consider the expediency of so amending the Ordinance
of the City passed Dec. 24. 1846, - as to empower the committee on
Printing to contract for the City Printing for a term not exceeding five
years. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
and concurred. Reported to the Mayor, February 6. 1861.

Institutions

Directors

The Common Council having
elected George W. Parmenter, Justin Jones and William M. Henders as
Directors for the Public Institutions in concurrence with this Board,
and having also elected Fulham Bradley William Eaton and Tim-
othy K. Page as Directors in place of Jose Holbrook, Ezra A. Baker and
John C. Tucker who were chosen by this Board on the last first
meeting, said action came up for concurrence; and the ballots having
been taken and counted for three Directors it appeared that said
Bradley and Eaton were chosen in concurrence: and that this Board
had also chosen James Rice in place of Timothy K. Page who was
elected to the other Board. Sent down for concurrence. February 7. Came
up concurred.

City

The report of the City Treasurer
for the quarter ending January 31. whereby it appears that he has
received and paid to the City Treasurer three hundred and fifty
two dollars for fees received. Came up from the Common Council. and

and placed on file. The same officer also reported that the number of births recorded in his office for the year 1880, was six thousand seven hundred and thirty five. The number of Marriages recorded are twenty four hundred and eight and the number of Deaths are three hundred and eighty nine.

The Chief of Police reported that he had received and paid to the City Treasury during the last three months as license fees fourteen hundred and thirty nine dollars and fifty cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The City Clerk reported that he had received and paid into the City Treasury during the last three months as fees the sum of five hundred and nineteen dollars and twenty one cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The Hayweigher at the North wharf reported that he had received during the last quarter as fees the sum of one hundred and eighteen dollars and thirty six cents, fifty percent of which he had paid to the Association for the betterment of the wharf. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Ordered: That — with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to inquire into and report on the expediency of amending or repealing the Ordinance in relation to the City Physician and of dividing the City into Medical Districts corresponding with the Police Districts, and of appointing a Medical Attendant to each District. In Common Council, referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read, and on motion of Alderman Parmenter, laid on the table.

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Leg

Read and they with such a the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to see what action may be taken for the better protection of the citizens against vicious and wild dogs. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

School
Committee
vacancies

Agreedly to assignment the Board assembled in conjunction with the School Committee for the purpose of filling the vacancies in the latter body, read report to the resolutions of Francis E. Parker of Ward 3, Charles E. Parker and Edward A. in middle of Ward 9; and William Spinner and Messrs Dannie and Read having been appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for candidates to fill said vacancies, it appeared that Moses C. Greene of Ward 3 and M. Dorman Ross and W. W. Morland of Ward 9 were duly chosen.

The Convention then dissolved and the Board of Aldermen returned to their room.

Hose
last Board

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to request the Mayor to petition the Legislature for power to suffer penalties for non-compliance with the laws of the Board in relation to hose laid out, was read a second time and passed.

Hill

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Timothy D. Hill \$62 two hundred dollars for their increased interest at 2 1/2% from Street was read a second time and passed. - Reported to the Board February 7,

The rules submitted at the 61

last meeting of the Board, for the ship of fire to keep on an
licensed Log. article. It was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, February 6. 1861.

February 4. 1861

By

Ordered: That the Board ac-
cept and adopt the revised grades of the following Streets, viz:
First Street between 2. and 3. Streets - Second Street between 3. and
4. Streets - K. Street between First and Third Streets - the grades be-
ing shown on plans and profiles of the said streets made by
James H. C. C. Engineer, and deposited in the office of the
Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed. Approved by the
Mayor, February 6. 1861.

First,

Second,

K. Street.

grades

The East Boston Ferry Company
submitted to the Board their annual statement of the receipts and
expenditures of said Company for the year 1860. Read and placed
on file.

East Boston

Ferry Co.

Agreeably to the recommenda-
tion of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the discharge
of J. J. Davis from Steam Engine Company No. 6 - A. Martin from
No. 10 - and of H. A. Flanders from No. 12 - were
approved by the Board.

Fire

Department

The Superintendent of the Mar-
ket reported that the amount of rents of stalls and cellars of
Council Hall Market received by him and paid into the Treasury
during the last quarter was sixteen thousand three hundred
and six dollars and twenty nine cents. Read and placed on file.

Market

March 4, 1861. as submitted to the City Council their report on the probable influence on Boston Harbor from the adoption of Mephitic Pond as a source of water supply to the City of Cambridge. Read on the table and the following action ordered to be printed (see also Document No 12)

Smith

Ague Smith, Superintendent of Health nominated as his Assistant, Daniel Bourke, which nomination was confirmed by the Board.

Hicks

On the petition of William C. Hicks and others that the Pond on the Public Garden may be flooded for skating purposes, the Committee on the Commons reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Rickerby

On the petition of Daniel Rickerby to be compensated for damage & injury in Cambridge Street, caused by the surface water flowing into his premises, the Committee on Finance reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Brown

On the petition of Brown and Blair for leave to build a stable for more than four horses at 370 Harrison Avenue, the Committee on Internal Health reported that the prayer of the petitioners is granted. Read and accepted.

Andrien

Leave was granted to A. J. Andrien to exhibit a Panorama of the United States at East Boston South Boston and the City Proper.

Agreeably to the report of the 63.

Committee on the Common and Public Squares, leave was granted to the Second Regiment of Infantry to occupy the parade ground in Boston Common on the seventeenth of June next. 1861
Second Regiment

Ordered: That there be paid 64.

to Thomas Lotan, the administrator of the late Charles H. Mann, the sum of three hundred dollars for land taken to widen East Springfield Street, in the lifetime of the said Mann, in August 1860, and for all damages to the rear and front buildings, tenements, and other demands of any nature whatsoever; upon his giving to the City a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at five o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the eleventh day of February, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

64.

Petition of William Teutobury

Druck

Edition of Col. Pickens' report
 sent as an enclosure. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Sept

William J. Cairns & Sons for suble-
ment of an assessment for construction of a sewer in Myrtle
Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

Hassam

Petition of John Nassam for leave
to erect a wooden building from Northampton Street to Aldersgate
line. Referred to the Committee on Docks, with full power.

Police

En nomination by the Mayor.

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On nomination by the Mayor, 65.

John S. Perkins and John McManis were appointed Special Police Officers for Franklin Street and William Shepard was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Catholic Church on Franklin Street.

February 11, 1861

Special

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Constable

James L. C. Sullivan was appointed a Constable.

On nomination by the Mayor, Juant

William J. Reid and John C. S. were appointed Juant Officers.

Officers

Petition of J. A. Southworth to be Southworth

paid for injuries sustained while in discharge of his duty as a Police Officer. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred.

Petition of Thomas J. Burns Burns

to be paid for injuries sustained by him from a Rocket Stick on December 5, 1860. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred.

The Auditor of Accounts rep- Appropriations

resented to the City Council that the appropriation for incidental expenses is exhausted. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Auditor's report for the Auditor

quarter ending January 21, showing that he had received and paid into the City Treasury during that time the sum

Auditor

of

Accounts

66 of thirty six dollars and eighty seven cents. Came up from the February 11, 1861. Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Howes
Petition of Estom Howes and others in aid of the Memorial of the Board of Trade for the establishment of a Nautical School. Referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. February 14, 1861. Concurred.

Adams
a
South Boston
Adams and others, and Samuel R. Spinney and others, for a new Avenue to South Boston, and the other papers relating thereto, be taken from the files and referred to James Standman, Josiah and Frederick with such as the Board of Aldermen may join. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Spinney, Rice and Standman were joined. Approved by the Board February 15, 1861.

Pulking
Ordered: That a Committee of three on the part of the Council with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be appointed to consider and report on the expediency of providing public Pulking Station and maps. Sam. Hayward and Rice were appointed said Committee. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Smith and Gilson were joined. Approved by the Board February 15, 1861.

Brillenden
Alderman Rice submitted a bill read the following words: Whereas the Honorable John Brillenden, Senator in the Congress of the United States from the State of Kentucky, is about to return from public duty after con-

and distinguished career in the service of the country, which 67
has been marked by a patriotism free from all sectional inter- February 11, 1861
ests, and by an unfaltering devotion to the Union and the Con-
stitution, - therefore Resolved: That His Honor the Mayor be,
and he is hereby authorized and requested, in behalf of
the City Council, to invite the Hon. W. L. Garrison to visit Bos-
ton as the guest of the City, at such time as may be conve-
nient to him, after the close of the present session of Congress,
in order that our citizens may have an opportunity to personally
express their veneration for his integrity as a man, and their
gratitude for his eminently useful and national public ser-
vices. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. February
14. Came up concurred. Reported by the Mayor February 15, 1861

Ordered: That one member Independence
of the Common Council from each Ward with such as the Board Committee
of Aldermen may join be a Committee to make arrangements
to celebrate the approaching Anniversary of the Declara-
tion of American Independence and that the expense thereof shall
not exceed the sum of fourteen thousand dollars, and shall be
charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and dis-
tinctious claims, and Messrs Leighton of Ward 1, Seaver of Ward 2,
Lenio of Ward 3, Edmunds of Ward 4, Hyatt of Ward 5, Tenbrook
of Ward 6, Allen of Ward 7, Fitch of Ward 8, Ward of Ward 9, Pe-
tersen of Ward 10, Union of Ward 11 and Gay of Ward 12 were
appointed on said Committee. Taken in Common Council.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen
Rich, Fitch, Liben, Spinnell, Day, Hanson, and Gibson were joined.
Reported by the Mayor February 15, 1861

Ruggles

Ruggles

Department to whom was referred the petition of S. P. Ruggles for abatement of tax, have considered the same, and would respectfully recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John T. Pay, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred.

Stanwood

The Committee on the Assessors

Department to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Stanwood for abatement of taxes, have considered the same, and respectfully recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John T. Pay, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred.

Welch

The Committee on the Assessors

Department, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Welch for abatement of tax, have considered the same, and beg leave to recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John T. Pay, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred.

Atger

The Committee on Water, to whom

were referred papers from the City Council of New Bedford to a petition of Francis Atger to be paid for water pipes laid in Seaside Avenue have considered the matter and beg leave to report: that in view of the facts that a large annual income is received from the water carried through the pipes, and will be continually received as long as the pipes shall last, probable for many years, and that some bad time, owing to the construction

upon righting same and will permit the erection of buildings by
requiring an additional amount of water, the pipe will be comp- February 11. 1861
ly sufficient for all the service required, the Committee are
unanimously of the opinion that the legal representative of
the firm who laid the pipe should be fairly compensated, and
in this opinion, the Board have concurred. The Committee
therefore respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying
order. In the Committee, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Resolved: That
there be paid to Francis May for the water pipe laid by him
and laid in Dorchester Avenue, with Teller in the year 1859,
the sum of six hundred and eighteen dollars and seventy
five cents, and that the same be charged to the appropriation
for water. In Common Council. Read and referred to the com-
mittee on claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

A communication was received Primary
from the Committee on School Houses of the Board of School School
Committee, stating the necessity which exists for additional
Primary School accommodation in the vicinity of Court Street,
and referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent
down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the salary of Leman.
Ebenzer C. Leman, late Superintendent of the Federal Aid School,
be assessed and paid for the remainder of the present quarter; the
amount to be charged to the appropriation for salaries. Read twice
and passed. Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came up con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor, February 15. 1861.

January 11, 1861. The Committee on Public Buildings, to whom was referred the petition of William H. Hancock for the use of one of the rooms in the old Court House, for an ironing establishment, have considered the same, and beg leave to report: That although the object proposed by Mr. Hancock is a very desirable one, yet the execution of it would involve so much inconvenience to the Court House, that the Committee deem it unwise to grant the petition, and would therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. To the Committee, Jona: Redton, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred.

Washington's
Birth Day.

Ordered: That the various offices of the City Government be closed on Friday the twelfth day of February, and that at 10 o'clock the March music be played in the City to be sung by hand, and a National Salute to be fired at morning, noon and sunset of said day, in commemoration of the one hundred and twenty-ninth anniversary of the birth of George Washington, and that the amount there be allowed to the appropriation for incidental expenses and miscellaneous items. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 13, 1861.

Fountains.

The Committee on Water, to whom was referred the petition of the City Council relative to the erection of drinking fountains in different parts of the City, have considered the subject, and deeming it to depend in a large measure upon the decision of the Water Board as to the advisability of the expense of water for such purposes, would respectfully re-

commend that the matter be referred to the Coehituate Water Board. 71
To the Committee, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. In Common Council. Passed 12.1861.
Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and accepted.

The Common Council having
ing amended the rule which passed this said Board to the
provide a room in the City Building for the use of the members
of Steam Fire Engine No. 4. by striking out at A. the words "in
the City Building" - said action came up for concurrence. Read
and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Board, the
May 12. 1861.

The Common Council having a- Union
mended the Union Address which passed the Board on the twenty
first of January, by inserting at A. "and in the propositions offered
in that behalf by the Hon. John C. Hollister we recognize a satis-
factory basis of adjustment, and action came up for concu-
rence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the
Mayor February 12 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee on Com: Council
Public Buildings be requested to consider and report suitable and
means of conducting fresh air from without the City Hall to the
lower part of the Common Council room for the purpose of venti-
lation can be effected. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Board the
May 12. 1861.

The Joint Special Committee ap- Library
pointed to nominate Trustees of the Public Library, beg leave to
recommend the election of the following named persons. In the
Committee Saml Hatch, Chairman. From the Board of Aldermen.

72. Elisha J. Wilson. From the Common Council John C. J. Brown. At
February 11th. Since Edward Everett. George Ticknor William W. Greenough. John
Bigelow. Nathaniel B. Shurtleff. in common council. Read and
accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Fire Ordered: That the Committee on
Company at the Fire Department consider the expediency of establishing an
North End additional Fire Company and apparatus in the northern section
of the city for the better protection of the large amount of property
in that locality.

Library The ballots having been taken &
counted for Master of the Public Library it appeared that Elisha
J. Wilson - John C. J. Brown - Edward Everett - George Ticknor - John
Bigelow - Nathaniel B. Shurtleff and William W. Greenough were
chosen. Sent down for concurrence February 14th. Came up concurred.

Chief The Common Council having
indicated a desire to elect John H. Hill a Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.
The Department said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been
taken and counted for said officer it appeared that said Hill
was duly chosen in concurrence.

Assistant The Common Council having
engineers elected: Nathaniel B. Hill, John S. Sumner, David C. Nelson, David
Chamberlain, James E. Smith, George Brown, Joseph Dunbar, Charles
A. Henry, and William A. Green, as Assistant Engineers of the
Fire Department, said action came up for concurrence, and the
ballots having been taken and counted for said engineers it ap-
peared that said Hill - Sumner - Nelson - Chamberlain - Smith
Brown - Dunbar - Henry and Green were duly elected in concurrence.

When we received the letter of James Richardson to be paid the interest on a liquidated claim for land taken to widen Sea Street 1832, have considered the same, and by leave to Report: not in view of the fact, as it lies in the minds of the Committee, that the petitioners are now engaged in the litigation of his claim, he is not now entitled to interest, and they therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Pease, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence February 14. Came up concurred.

James Richardson.

Richardson.

The Committee on Public Buildings.

To whom was referred the communication of the School Committee for the District to be accommodated by a new School-House in South Street, according to the petition of persons sufficient to accommodate three hundred and fifty scholars, until the new house in South Street shall be erected, have considered the same, and by leave to report: That they have examined all the available rooms within a certain distance from the central part of the District, and are in favor of hiring the large room on the lower floor of the former Market building on Beach Street between South and Lincoln Streets. It contains an area of nine thousand square feet, is well lighted and convenient of access. The rear portion may be partitioned off so as to have a large play-room, and ample room for all the conveniences required. The rent is deemed very moderate, being at the rate of one thousand dollars per year. The cost of filling up the room will probably be six hundred dollars more. The Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Jonas Pustan, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they hereby

Brewer.

Boylston

District

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February 11. 1861. are authorized to hire, for a term not exceeding one year, the
house known as the "Fish Head" building,
in Beach Street, at the rate of one thousand dollars per an-
num, and to fit up the same for a Grammar School-room,
at an expense not exceeding five hundred dollars; and that
the expenses be charged to the appropriation for Grammar Schools.
Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 15. 1861.

Knight

The Committee on Claims, to whom
was referred the petition of Theron A. Knight to be paid for articles
taken from his shop by the Police in the year 1854, have consider-
ed the same, and beg leave to Report: That, finding the state-
ment of facts by the petitioner to be erroneous, they would recom-
mend that he have leave to withdraw. From the Committee. Read
Twice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
February 14. Came up concurred.

Committee

of the

Ordered: That Aldermen Amory and
Barnes, with such a the Common Council may think a
committee to confer with the Board of Finance of the City as to
the amount of means they may require, for their future action,
and on such other matters as may be referred to the said and
report the same to the City Council. Read twice and passed. Sent
down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred and passed.
Mr. Tucker and Burre were joined. Approved by the Mayor
February 15. 1861.

City

Physician

Ordered: That the Committee on
Finance be requested to define by Ordinance the duties of
the City Physician. Read twice and passed. Sent down for

concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor,
February 16, 1861.

February 11, 1861.

Dover Street
bridge

The Common Council having
again elected Abner J. Gaffield as Superintendent of the Dover
Street Bridge in place of John C. Peterson who was chosen by
this Branch. said action came up for concurrence, and the bal-
lot having been taken and counted for said Superintendent it
appeared that the whole number was twelve. Necessary for choice
seven. James Hayes had five, Abner J. Gaffield three, John C. Pe-
terson three, Charles F. Mayo, one. - no choice. - On a second ballot
it appeared that the whole number was twelve. Necessary
for choice, seven. James Hayes had five, John C. Peterson four, Ab-
ner J. Gaffield two, Charles F. Mayo one. - no choice. - On a third bal-
lot it appeared that the whole number was twelve; Necessary for
choice seven; James Hayes had seven, John C. Peterson two, Abner
J. Gaffield, three. - so said Hayes was chosen by this Branch. Sent
down for concurrence.

Ordered: That Alderman Clark
and Hatch be a committee to confer with any committee of the
Common Council in regard to the subject of difference between
the two branches in relation to the Superintendent of the Dover
Street bridge, and down to be joined. - When it came up and
Albion Hall, Huntress and Crosby were appointed said Committee
of Concurrence on the part of the Common Council.

Richardson

Ordered: That the committee
on Water consider the expediency of purchasing the Bliss and Rich-
ardson estates adjacent to the Pipe Yard on Federal Street. Sent
down for concurrence.

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Head

City Engineer

appointed to inquire into and report upon the matter in the communication of J. H. Head to the City Council respecting the transaction of the City Engineer, to be held. But in order to procure all the facts bearing upon the serious allegations of misconduct made against the City Engineer, they gave the person whose name was appended to the remonstrance against the State Auditor the notice of the hearing appointed in accordance with the request of that remonstrance and also notified the City Engineer to be present. Both parties were accordingly present at the time and place, Mr J. H. Head being assisted by counsel. Through the latter several witnesses were called in support of the allegations in the communication purporting to come from J. H. Head. When these witnesses presented themselves to be sworn, it appeared that Mr. Head was not among them; and the Committee, upon the request of the City Engineer, decided that it was proper that the principal complainant should be called upon to give the reasons for his complaint. Mr Head was then sworn with the other witnesses, and was put upon the stand immediately. His counsel having first disclaimed any intention of calling him. He was examined by the Committee and the City Engineer, but maintained a reluctant manner throughout, and answered one question only after they had been put and answered several other questions, while to other questions, asked by the Committee not improper to be propounded, he gave no answer whatever; and to still others, his replies were equivocal and unsatisfactory. I supposed that in these matters relating about the official conduct of the City Engineer; his remarks being confined to rumors, declared by him to be universal among

reservation as to which with any particular person he could not recall, or would not acknowledge. Being asked to name some of the "other citizens" who objected to the election of Mr. Head, he, after much hesitation designated more than of the witnesses whom he had summoned. As to his own citizenship, it appeared that if, as he alleged, he had been a citizen for ten or more years, he had not discontinued his obligation to bear a portion of the public expenses for payment of taxes, but once in a period of seven years, and then only by the payment of a poll-tax in 1860. In order that his signature to the document upon which the Committee were acting, might be verified, the City Engineer requested Mr. Head to write his name, which he declined to do, although he possessed his ability to write. He was then questioned as to the authenticity of the paper purporting to be a communication from him to the City Council, and admitted that neither the writing nor the signature were his. He declared the document to be copied from a letter of his, but declined to name the copyist, or to state whether the copying was done at his request. It then appeared to the Committee, who had been appointed to act upon a communication of J. H. Head, that no communication from J. H. Head had ever been received by the City Council, and power conferred with respect to such a communication had become a nullity. The counsel for Mr. Head appreciated the difficulty at once, and proposed to withdraw the case, avowing that he could not, in the existing state of things, proceed any further. The Committee however deemed it not improper, at the suggestion of the City Engineer, to leave the matter of the alleged communication to the law, and in order that if any facts existed militating against the official character of the City Engineer they

78 might not seem to be suppressed by virtue of technicalities, to
allow the highly respectable gentlemen present who had been
summoned as witnesses, to make any statements as to the con-
duct of the City Engineer which they wished to do, on their own
responsibility. No gentleman offered to make any such statements,
and one of the number of ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~gentlemen~~ ^{gentlemen} declined having any shares
to make. It seems that parties whose names or motives do not ap-
pear used the name of Mr. Head, not perhaps without his authority,
but not in a legal and proper manner, to bring accusations a-
gainst a public officer, the proper performance of whose duties are
of the utmost importance to the city. In Head being called upon,
discrepancies and general knowledge of some matters, raised a
suspicion on the part of Mr. Head, but in behalf of the force
of which he was the leader, desired to bring forward respectable
citizens, whose sworn evidence no more than their per-
sonal declarations, would be entitled to respect, in order to
give a coloring of truth to his accusations. At this point the
proceedings took such a turn that, if governed by legal or
parliamentary rules, the Committee must find their duties con-
cluded; but, as here stated, avoiding formality and technicali-
ty they sought to obtain all desirable information on the
subject matter, viz: the truthfulness and faithfulness of the City
Engineer. The witnesses present were accordingly invited,
and had full opportunity, to declare any facts pertinent
to the officer in question. No such facts were offered, and
inasmuch as it was the duty of the gentleman assumed to
be a good citizen, if they were in possession of any such
facts, to make them known, it seems not too much to infer
that in presenting themselves before the Committee in the

alience to the legal summons of the counsel for the petition. 79
They not only were not animated by anything akin to February 11. 1861
that spirit of cowardly animosity, and any action would
had a person to hide his hand under the cloak of another name
in order to attack and injure a person whom he does not dare
openly accuse; but that they do not sanction the accusation of
dereliction of duty made against the Engineer. The Committee,
it has been spoken with warmth, and in one respect with
severity, desire to add that they consider this remark warranted
in view of the fact that they were a contemptuous and
indiscreetly treated by the ostensible complainant in this case,
and that the City Council has been guided by a person who
appended his name to a document whose object seemingly to
have been to excite towards the City Engineer the distrust of that
class of the community who do not hesitate to accept vague rumors
as positive facts and who reverse the first maxim of law by
presuming a man's guilt until the instant a charge is preferred a-
gainst him. As to the accusations against the City Engineer, they
should have no weight with fair-minded persons because they
have never been made, over the forged signature of an irre-
sponsible name. With an expression of unqualified confidence
in the capacity and integrity of the present City Engineer, the
Committee desire to conclude their report. Respectfully submitted
to the Committee, your sincere friend, Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. February 14. Came up concurred.

Pursuant to notice, Richard T. Hunt Street
Hunt appeared and objected to the proposed discontinuance of
the Hunt Street Cemetery unless proper and decent provisions be
Cemetery

so made to be in interest of the animals now reported to said
Committee. Edward Bell the principal proprietor of the premises
intimated that due care would be taken in the premises under the
direction of the City Registrar, the subject was recommended to the
Committee on Cemeteries.

Constables

Bond

The Bond of William L. Jones, Con-
stable, having been first approved by the City Treasurer, was
duly approved by the Board of Aldermen. Approved by the
Board January 12, 1861.

Chief of Police
Bond of

The Bond of Josiah L. Ames, Chief of
Police, having been first approved by the City Solicitor was duly
approved by the Board of Aldermen.

Superintendent of Sewers

Committee

The Superintendent of Sewers
submitted to the Board schedule of assessments for construc-
tion of Common Sewers in Quincy - Commercial - Bolton - Jay-
Hawley - Fifth & Sixth - Quincy - Atlantic - South Lake - Hill - Hancock - Union -
Main - Powers - Third and Silver Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Alman

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay the Administrator of Charles Adams
three hundred dollars for land taken to widen East Springfield
Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the
Mayor, February 12, 1861.

McKinch

On petition of Robert McKinch
to be paid for damages sustained by construction of a sewer
in Bedford Street, the Committee on Sewers reported leave to
withdraw. Read and accepted.

Sherrin

On petition of George Sherrin
that the assessment laid upon him for construction of a sewer

in Howard Court to remove a nuisance may be abated, the

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Committee on Internal Health reported same to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Streets to

Brannon

whom was referred the petition of Charles Brannon to be paid for damages occasioned by the widening of North Street, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of George Celin to

Celin

be refunded the amount paid for abatement of a nuisance in Niagara Street, the Committee on Internal Health reported same to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on the As-

Molley

ses' Department, to whom was referred the petition of Mary Molley, for abatement of taxes, have considered the same, and in view of the representations of the petitioner deem it proper that the petition should be granted, and therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. Be the Committee, John L. May, Chairman, ordered: That the assessors be and hereby are directed to abate from the tax assessed upon Mr. Mary Molley in the year 1858, the sum of twenty four dollars and sixty cents, the same being assessed on real estate in Prattle Street, and also the sum of one hundred and twenty six dollars and ten cents, the same being assessed on real estate in Elm Street in 1859. Read once.

The Committee on Paving

Village

in connection with the grading of Lake Street to meet and Chapman Street, which has to be completed under their supervision in accordance with orders of the Board of Aldermen, have

and others

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had occasion to visit the territory embraced between Dover, Tremont, Chapman and Suffolk Streets, and are unanimously of the opinion as an act of justice to the abutters thereon that the grade of said limits should be raised this season, and that the case is one which requires prompt action on the part of the government, both as a case of public safety and as a sanitary measure. In accordance with their opinion they recommend the adoption of the accompanying order. To the committee, viz. Parmenter, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Paving be authorized to employ one or more persons to ascertain from the abutters on Village, Albion, Middlesex, Hingham, Emerald, & Suffolk Streets, between Dover and Chapman Streets, upon what terms a change of grade can be made upon said streets to conform to the new grades of Dover, Chapman and Tremont Streets, for the purpose of enabling the Committee to bring the probable cost of said improvement before the Board of Aldermen. The expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Paving the said street.

Harrison

Avenue

Albion

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Harrison Avenue should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Sidney B. Morse bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterly by the agreed line of widening of Harrison Avenue, there measuring two hundred and fourteen feet and $\frac{3}{4}$; Northeasterly by land of Peter Fisher, ten feet and $\frac{1}{4}$; Southeasterly to the second line of Harrison Avenue, there measuring two hundred and fourteen feet and $\frac{1}{4}$; and Southwesterly by land of Cornelius Quisell, ten feet and $\frac{1}{4}$; containing ten thousand

one hundred and eight dollars, and is now a lot, not
known; but notice has been given of the intention of the Board to
take the said parcel of land, in the purpose aforesaid, as appears
by the return herunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the
parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, tak-
en and laid out as a public way of the said City, accord-
ing to a plan of the said widening made by James Glude, City En-
gineer, dated January 11th 1861 and deposited in the office of the said
Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the ex-
pense of widening the said Harrison Avenue aforesaid, will
amount to two thousand six hundred and eighty five and 5/100
dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimated ex-
penses alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the
present municipal year, do not exceed the sum of five thou-
sand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to
George D. Guild, as the attorney of William H. Boardman & others,
the sum of four hundred and twenty seven dollars for bond
in Charles Lane according to the terms of the agreement exe-
cuted by them & others in behalf of the City of Boston on the 24th
of January, A.D. 1846, upon their giving to the city a deed for the
same, and an acquittance and discharge satisfactory to the
city solicitor: and that the same be charged to the appropria-
tion for unliquidated claims for paving cut and widening streets.
Read once.

Informal to attend a meeting at five o'clock. The

A meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the twentieth day of December, one thousand 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Howe

Petition of Aaron Howe and

Anderson

other Clergymen of Boston and of Joseph Anderson and other

Anderson & Co.

citizens of Boston that effectual steps may be taken to close the
drinking shops in this City on the Lord's Day. Referred to the
Committee on Police.

Howe

Petition of Aaron S. Howe of
Cambridgeport in relation to his City. Referred to the Committee
on Licenses.

Harlow

Petition of L. L. Harlow for leave to

run his coaches through Hanover Street and that the number of
coaches on his route may be increased to thirty five. Referred to
the Committee on Licenses.

Company of

Petition of Company of First Lieutenants
of the 1st Regiment of the Massachusetts Militia at Quam Point,
South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

Granger

Petition of John Granger to be
paid for the site of a building to be constructed by him on both sides of
Referred to the Committee on Paving and Streets.

Bliss

Petition of A. A. Bliss and other

Granger

that Cambridge Street between Washington and Somerset
Streets, may be called Everett Street. Referred to the Committee
on Paving.

Street

Petition of John Hobbs to 85

to paid for damages occasioned by a change of grade in
Latham Street. Referred to the Committee on Flaving.
Hobbs.

Petition of Lucius Glade & Glade

other for use of Faneuil Hall on the twentieth instant for Faneuil Hall
a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall
with full powers

Petition of the Union State Union State

Sanitary for leave to change their office room, now at
127 Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health
Sanitary.

On nomination by the Mayor Constable

and Larin was appointed and confirmed as a Constable

On nomination by the Mayor Special

Samuel A. Davis was appointed a Special Police Officer at Ex-
ford Place - William A. Morse a Special Police Officer at Thompson's
Island - and Isaac Massey a Special Police Officer for the Prison
grounds, of which he is the Keeper. Police

On nomination by the Mayor May

James - Samuel H. Francis, John H. Davis, John H. Davis, Samuel
H. Davis, Henry C. Indians, John H. Davis, Henry C. Indians,
John H. Davis, Samuel H. Francis, John H. Davis, John H. Davis,
John H. Davis, Alfred V. Livermore were appointed and confirmed
as Inspectors and Weighers of Bonded Goods.

On nomination by the Mayor Police

John H. Davis was appointed a Police Officer for
special duty under the direction of the Chief of Police.

On nomination by the Mayor

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Police

Freeman to Crawford. Charles E. Bruce were appointed members of the Police Department, and Charles E. Bruce was appointed a Sergeant of Police.

Board

Harrison

avenue

Whereas Brown and Blair have

given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Harrison Avenue, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Brown and Blair, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twenty fifth day of March instant at four o'clock, P. M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Columbus

Letter

"Boston Feb 16th 1861. To His Honor

Joseph M. Wrightman, Dear Sir, I received a communication during the last Summer, from the Hon: Robert C. Winthrop, then in Europe, informing me that Mrs. Tullman had offered to present to the City of Boston for the Public Library the original model of a beautiful Monument to Christopher Columbus about to be erected in the City of his birth. The offer had been made to Mr. Winthrop in connection with Mr. Edward Banks of his City to whom the Library is usually indebted, for an admirable original portrait of Franklin, and some of the gentlemen were of the opinion that the offer should be graciously accepted. After consultation with the President of the Library

of the Statue, wrote to me asking that I might have it in my own 87
name. I told him that the expense of transportation would be paid, February 18, 1861
and that I should gladly receive the gift on behalf of the City,
and present it to the Trustees of the Library. The Statuette has
arrived here, and it will soon be in a position to be seen by
the public. It was presented to Messrs. Bullemore by the Marquis
Fagnole Sale a distinguished Genoese Nobleman and the
principal patron of the Monument with the wish that it should
be sent to America. On the pedestal are seated two allegorical
figures of Science and Navigation. The principal group presents
Columbus himself in the first rapture at the discovery of the
New World, with his vessel moored up the bay at his side, while
Sympson is kneeling to implore forgiveness for his previous incred-
ulity and mutinous conduct, and the Pilot is grasping the
ruler with a more assured hand as he strains his eyes to-
wards the long promised land. The Monument when completed
in Genoa will be a noble tribute to the Great Discoverer, and
no American can fail to be interested in seeing this miniature
model of it. It will form an interesting addition to the treas-
ure of our Library Hall, and I am sure that the City Council
will desire to express to Messrs. Bullemore their grateful acknowl-
edgment of his generous liberality to an Institution of which he was
so early a benefactor. The interest which Messrs. Winthrop and
Buck have taken in this matter should also be gratefully re-
membered, it is another instance of that public spirit which
has often been exhibited by these Gentlemen, in becoming members
of the Public Library. I am very truly, Yours &c. J. H. Lincoln & Read
and referred to the Committee in the Public Library, sent down
for concurrence. February 21. came up concurred

Petition of J. J. Rowe and others
 January 18. 1861 to be compensated for a portion of their land embraced in "Haw-
 mut Avenue between Union Park and South Williams Streets.
 Referred to the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for
 concurrence. February 21. Came up concurred.

Simonds

Petition of John Simonds to be com-
 pensated for damages sustained by the removal of his stable
 on Concord Street by order of the Board of Health. Referred to the
 Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. February 21. Came
 up concurred.

Independent
 Traders

Petition of the Independent Boston
 Traders to have to pay an excise duty for the Municipal authorities
 on July fourth next. Referred to the Committee of Management on that
 day. Sent down for concurrence. February 21. Came up concurred.

Smith

Petition of John Gayard & Co for
 leave to sink a telegraphic cable across Fore Point Channel to con-
 nect their Gas House at South Boston with their Office in the City
 of Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Petition. Sent down for con-
 currence. February 21. Came up concurred.

Brown

Petition of Joseph T. Brown
 to be paid for damages done to his store at the time of a public
 disturbance in that vicinity (Bedford Street, on January 20. 1861.
 Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence.
 February 21. Came up concurred.

Locomotive

The Joint Special Committee

Water Board

appointed to nominate to the City Council suitable persons to
 constitute the Locomotive Water Board, beg leave to submit the

following names: to the committee E. L. Allen, Chairman, Ebenezer
J. Thayer, Samuel Hatch, Samuel Allen, Joseph E. Thayer, William 18. 1861
George F. French, E. L. Allen, and John Gordon. in common
council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred.

The ballots having been taken Ecchituate
and counted for a Ecchituate Water Board it appeared that
Samuel Hatch, John F. French, Ebenezer Thayer, Ebenezer Allen, William
William Parkman, George F. French and George Lennie were chosen.
Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on Finance Appropriation
having duly considered the communication of the Auditor of
Accounts to the City Council of the 14th instant unanimously
recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order,
authorizing a transfer of ten thousand dollars from the appro-
priation for the County of Suffolk to that for incidental expenses
and Miscellaneous Claims. In the Committee, Joseph A. Thayer
Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be and is
authorized to transfer ten thousand dollars from the appro-
priation for the County of Suffolk to that for incidental expenses
and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor.
February 21. 1861.

Ordered: That the papers re- Police Station
lating to a new Station House in District No. 3 be taken from
the file and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor. February 21. 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee

on Ordinances inquire whether and if any what provision is expedient to protect the public from snow slides and in such case buildings. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Board March 20. 1861.

City Officers.
Action

The Committee on Ordinances, who were directed to consider the expediency of repealing so much of the Ordinance as requires the election of city officers within sixty days after the first of January, have considered the matter, and beg leave to report: That, for obvious reasons, the convenience of the City Government and of its officers, is better served by completing the elections within as short a time after the advent of a new Administration as possible; and in case any election is delayed beyond the sixty days for any cause, a suspension of the Ordinance could undoubtedly be effected so that an election after the expiration of the said time would be perfectly valid. The Committee are therefore opposed to any change in the Ordinance. Respectfully submitted, to the Committee, Thomas C. Moore, Chairman. In common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Molloy.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the abatement of the nuisance of the Mary Molloy in Mullin street in 1859 and in Corn Street in 1859 was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Passed. Came up for concurrence. Approved by the Board March 1. 1861.

ing amended the order which passed this Board on the 10th of January 1861
 instant for the purchase of the "Hill" and "Cromwell" estates
 adjoining the City Hall on West 2nd St. by inserting at the
 words "and Public Instruction" said action came up for concurrence
 and this Board concurred therein. Reported to the Mayor.
 February 20. 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee
 on Laying out and Widening Streets be and they are
 authorized to purchase such lots on North Charles Street as in
 their opinion may be necessary to consummate the widening
 of said street in accordance with the proposed plans with
 power to negotiate for the exchange or transfer of such parts of
 any estate so purchased as shall not be required for the widen-
 ing of said North Charles Street. Said purchase not to exceed the
 sum of twelve thousand dollars; and such amounts as may
 be expended for this purpose to be charged to the appropriation
 for Laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed.
 Sent down for concurrence. March 7. Came up concurred. Reported
 by the Mayor March 8. 1861.

Charles
 Smith

Ordered: That the Commit-
 tee on the Parks represent the interests of the City of Boston re-
 spect the Committee of the Legislature moving under its considera-
 tion an amendment proposed by the Town of Weymouth to the
 said Chapter 301, 1856 for the future regulation of the removal
 of ballast from the Winthrop Beaches. Sent down for concurrence.
 February 21. Came up concurred. Reported to the Mayor February
 22. 1861.

Winthrop
 Beaches

Ordered: That the Committee on Finance consider the expediency of making further provision by law for the use of the Ward rooms for preliminary meetings. Sent down for concurrence. February 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 23. 1861.

Eastern
Inland
High

Ordered: That the Committee

on Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to cause the necessary repairs to be made to Eastern Inland High, located at an expense not exceeding five hundred dollars the same to be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. February 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 23. 1861.

Water

Board

The Cochituate Water Board rep-

resented to the Board that an appropriation of six thousand five hundred dollars will be needed for the Water Works for the remainder of this financial year. Referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. February 21. Came up concurred.

Consulting
Physicians

The ballots having been taken

and counted for Five Consulting Physicians, it appeared that George Hayward, John Aggie, Henry G. Clark, John G. H. Gray, and Stephen Highill were chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

Harrison
Avenue

The resolve and order sub-

milled at the last meeting of the Board to widen Harrison Avenue by taking land of Gilney B. Morse were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor February 19. 1861.

whereon were recommended the papers in relation to the proposed
 discontinuance of the burial ground called the Hull Street Ceme- February 18, 1861.
 tery, respectfully report, that the legal title and possession of the Hull Street
 cemetery is now vested in Mr. Edward Bell, who is desirous of
 improving the property for dwellings or stores. The cemetery has not
 been used as a place of interment for many years; and the con-
 dition of the public health in that vicinity will be doubtless
 greatly improved by the proposed discontinuance. No party objects
 to this measure even Mr. Shute, who at first objected, is now strongly
 in favor of the same. Arrangements have been made with
 the City Engineer to provide at Mount Hope cemetery, where
 such remains as can be now identified, are to be re-intered. Your
 Committee therefore advise the passage of the accompanying
 order to the Committee on Cemeteries Chairman. It is in
 the opinion of this Board the public health and safety would
 be promoted in the discontinuance of the Hull Street cemetery as a
 place of interment for the dead, and whereas it appears that
 due notice of this proposed measure was given upon Edward
 Bell, one of the proprietors of said cemetery, and public notice was
 also given pursuant to law, and that no valid objection has been
 made to said discontinuance, it is hereby Ordered: That the place of
 interment for the dead situated on Hull Street and known as Hull
 Street Cemetery be and the same is hereby discontinued, and clos-
 ed as a place of burial from and after this date. Ordered: That
 the City Engineer under the advice and direction of the Commit-
 tee on Cemeteries, provide at Mount Hope cemetery suitable
 for the re-interment there of such remains in said Hull Street
 cemetery as can be properly identified and removed: and that he

94. be authorized to cause such removal and re-interment to take place
February 18, 1861. in such manner as he may deem expedient; and at the ex-
pense of the present proprietors of Hull Street Cemetery. Read, accepted
and the order passed. Reported to the Board March 19, 1861.

Constables

and

The Bond of James D. Sullivan
constable having been first approved by the City Council, was
also approved by the Board of Aldermen. Reported to the Mayor
February 19, 1861.

Boston Light

Millen

The Committee on Armories to
whom was referred the petition of the Boston Light Artillery Com-
pany for improved accommodations at their Armory in Cooper
Street, have examined the same and report that the prayer of
the petitioners should be granted and as the building already
belongs to the City, they recommend the passage of the accompa-
nying order. For the Committee, James T. Van Hook Chairman. Ordered:
That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby
authorized and directed to make the changes in certain rooms in
the Cooper Street building now occupied by the Boston Light Artillery
Company as are contemplated and desired by said Company; the
expense to be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. February 28. Come up
concurred. Reported to the Board March 1, 1861.

Weather

board

Ordered: That the Committee
on Police consider the expediency of providing for the keeping of a
Diary of the weather at one or more of the Police Stations.

The order submitted at the 95

last meeting of the Board in the committee on Paving to em- February 18. 1861.
ploy one or more persons to ascertain from the carters on Village, Village.
Hill, Hillside, Hingham Avenue and other streets the
ways on which a change of grade in those streets can be effect- Hillside
ed. to conform to the new grades of Tremont, Lever and Chapman
Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the
Mayor. February 19. 1861.

Ordered: That Faneuil Hall Market House

Market House be closed on the twenty second instant, Wash- closed
ington's Birth Day. Read twice and passed.

The order submitted at Boardman

the last meeting of the Board to pay William H. Boardman four
hundred and twenty seven dollars for land on which some
moment to an agreement executed January 24. 1861. and
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. February 19. 1861.

Ordered: That the report of the

the committee on the report of James F. Fiske, City Engineer, concerning
the misconduct, be printed. Passed in Common Council. Came
up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Agreeably to assignment the

board submitted in

Convention

School

with the Senate Committee on the subject of filling a vacancy
in the latter board caused by the resignation of Edward C.
Mason of Ward 5. and Alderman Hanson, and Messrs. Eaton and
Stock having been appointed a committee to receive, sort and
vacancies

96. count the votes, it appeared that the whole number was fifty-
February 18. 1861. eight, all of which were given for John T. Jarvis, who was ac-
cordingly elected. The Convention then dissolved.

Nelson

Leave was granted to Nelson and
Morris to give Ethiopian Concerts at Weston Hall in Tremont Street.

Auctioneer

Agreeably to the report of the Com-
mittee on Licenses M. Salmon was appointed an Auctioneer at No.
333 Washington Street.

Locking.

The Committee on the Harbor on
the part of the Board of Aldermen to whom was referred the pe-
tition of William Lockington for leave to take ballast from his
berches in the town of Winthrop reported that the petitioners had
leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

South Bay

Dock

Alderman Spenny submitted
to the Board the following order: That a committee
with such as the Common Council may join be a committee to
consider the expediency of constructing a Dock at the south end
of the lot on the South Bay land appropriated for the use of the
Internal Health Department. Read and laid on the table on
motion of Alderman Smith.

Sidewalk

The Superintendent of Public
works reported to the Board schedules of assessments for construction of
sidewalks in Dorset, Cambridge, Cambridge, Boston, Washington, Har-
vard, First, North Charles Streets and on Mount Washington re-
ceived. Read and thought it was ordered that said amounts be
collected pursuant to law.

Whereas, pursuant to orders of 97.

the Board, passed on the twelfth day of September 1849 and February 1850
twentieth day of April 1851, public notice having been given, a Common Sewer
has been constructed in Commercial Street
between Cedar Street and Greenough Lane, the cost of
which was five hundred seventy four dollars and thirty three
cents, one quarter part thereof being deducted, to be paid to the
said City, there remains four hundred thirty dollars and twenty
six cents, to be charged to persons benefitted to the same, accord-
ing to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the
Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be
and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein
set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the
expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be cer-
tified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their
heirs or assigns. Read twice and passed.

Whereas, pursuant to

Hanover
Street

an order of this Board, passed on the twelfth day of September 1849
public notice having been given, a Common Sewer
has been constructed in Hanover Street, between Cedar Street and
Third Street, the cost of which was four hundred seventy nine
dollars and eighty cents, one quarter part thereof being deducted,
to be paid to the said City, there remains three hundred fifty nine
dollars and eighty six cents, to be charged to persons benefitted
to the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the per-
sons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted
as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with
the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportion-
al part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered

98. to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid,
February 18, 1861, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed.

North Grove

Whereas, pursuant to an order
of this Board, passed on the twenty fifth day of May 1860, public
notice thereof having first been given, a common sewer
has been constructed in North Grove Street, the cost of which was
ninety nine dollars and twenty nine cents, one quarter part
whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said city, there remain
seventy seven dollars and forty seven cents, to be charged to persons
benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered,
that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, be-
ing benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and
assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as
their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the
same is to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties
aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed.

Bolton

Whereas, pursuant to an order
of this Board, passed on the twenty sixth day of June 1860, public
notice thereof having first been given, a common sewer has
been constructed in Bolton Street between Grand & Third, the
cost of which was three hundred twenty four dollars and fif-
teen cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid
by the said city, there remains two hundred forty three dollars
and eleven cents, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same,
according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named
in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid,
be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums

therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of 49.
the expense of the said sewer, and the same is ordered to be cer- February 18. 1861.
tified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their
tenants or lessees. Read twice & passed.

Whereas, pursuant to an order Silver Street
of this Board, passed on the twenty first day of June 1860, public
notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has
been constructed in Silver Street between LaSalle and ... Street,
and in ... Street, between Silver and South Street, the cost of which
was eight hundred and eighty dollars and fifty three cents, one
quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City,
there remains one hundred and sixty three dollars and fifty three cents,
to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It
is therefore Ordered that the persons named in the Schedule here-
unto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby
are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respec-
tive names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said
sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given
to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice & passed.

Whereas, pursuant to an order Bridge
Street
of this Board, passed on the fifth day of Sept. 1860 public notice
thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been con-
structed in Bridge Street, between Fruit Street and the grounds
of the ... the cost of which was one
hundred and sixty seven cents, one quarter part whereof being
deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains one hun-
dred twenty five dollars and twenty five cents, to be charged to per-
sons benefitted by the same according to law: It is therefore Ordered

et, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice & passed.

Atlantic

Whereas, pursuant to an order

of the

of the Board passed on the fourteenth day of August 1866, public notice thereof having first been given, a common sewer has been constructed in Atlantic Street, the cost of which was one hundred twenty two dollars and twenty cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains three hundred sixteen dollars and sixty five cents, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed.

by

Whereas, pursuant to an Order

of the

of the Board passed on the fourteenth day of Oct 1866 public notice thereof having first been given, a common sewer has been constructed in Joy Street between Myrtle and Mount Vernon Streets, the cost of which was four hundred fifty dollars and eighty six cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted to be paid by the said City, there remains three hundred thirty one

dollars and sixty five cents, to be charged to persons benefitted by

the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the per-

sons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted

as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with

the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional

part of the expense of the said Survey, and the same is ordered to

be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their

tenants or lessees. Read twice & passed.

Whereas, pursuant to an order

of this Board, passed on the twelfth day of August,

1860 public notice thereof having first been given, a common

Survey has been conducted in Quincy Street between D and E

Sts. the cost of which was three hundred and nine dollars

and twenty three cents, one quarter part thereof being deducted,

to be paid to the said City, there remains two hundred and one

dollars and ninety two cents, to be charged to persons benefitted

by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the

persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being bene-

fitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assess-

ed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their

proportional part of the expense of the said Survey, and the same

is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties

aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed.

Whereas, pursuant to an order

of this Board, passed on the eighth day of June 1859, public no-

tice thereof having first been given, a common Survey has been

conducted in Utica Street, the cost of which was nine hundred

and thirty dollars and fifty five cents, one quarter part thereof

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February 18, 1861.

Quincy
St.

Utica
Street

102. being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains
February 18. 1861 one hundred ninety seven dollars and ninety one cents, to be
charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is
therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto
annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are
charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their re-
spective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the
said Scur and the same is ordered to be certified and notice
thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read
twice and passed

Quarterly
Street

Whereas, pursuant to an order
of this Board, passed on the seventeenth day of April 1860, public
notice thereof having first been given, a common Scur has been
constructed in Hawley Street near Mill Street the cost of which
was two hundred sixty one dollars and ninety seven cents, one
quarter part thereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City,
there remain one hundred ninety six dollars and forty eight
cents to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according
to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the
Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and
they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set
to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense
of the said Scur, and the same is ordered to be certified and
notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.
Read twice and passed.

Sixth
Street

Whereas, pursuant to an order of
this Board, passed on the third day of July 1860, public notice
thereof having first been given, a common Scur has been con-
structed in Sixth Street between N. and S. Streets, the cost of which

was seven hundred and fifty dollars and three cents, one quarter 103.

and when being deducted, to be paid to the said City, there re- February 18. 1861.
mains five hundred sixty two dollars and fifty two cents to be
charged to persons benefited by the same, according to law. It is
therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto
annexed, being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charg-
ed and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names,
as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the
same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties
aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed.

Ordered: That there be paid
to John B. Morse the sum of twenty six hundred and eighty
six and 7/8 dollars, for land taken to widen Harrison Avenue
near New Street, and for removing and repairing the buildings
standing on, or projecting over the line of the said Avenue,
upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an ac-
quittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in
consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Morse

Ordered: That the Board of
Land Commissioners be and they are hereby authorized to take
under a tract portion of the South Bay Territory that is embraced
in the contract with Wm Evans bearing date of August 9th 1859-
that they are directed to see that the work is done in accordance
with said contract, and to lease such portions of the same,
as they in their judgement may deem to be for the best
interest of the City. Read once.

South Bay
Land

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty-fifth day of February, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

McCarthy

Petition of Mary McCarthy that the line of a new street may be laid out at the site near Essex Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Waldmeyer

Petition of Anthony Waldmeyer for leave to move a wooden building from Harrison Avenue through Southampton Street to Plymouth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with leave to report.

Mahoney

Petition of John J. Mahoney to be paid for change of grade in South Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Steele

Petition of G. H. Steele and others that a grade may be established for Providence Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Fitzpatrick

Petition of William Fitzpatrick for abatement of an assessment for construction of a sidewalk.

in Second Street South Boston. Referred to the Committee on

105.

Sewers.

February 25. 1861.

Petition of Isaac Roop and others

Roop

for a sewer in N. Street Fifth Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

A communication was re-

Halifax

ceived from the City Clerk of Halifax transmitting the vote of thanks of the City Council of Halifax, N.S. to this Board for the attentions manifested to the Mayor of that City and to Alderman Hill, on the occasion of their recent visit to Boston to procure a Steam Fire Engine. Read and placed on file.

Agreeably to the recommen-

Fire

dation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the discharges of Frank S. Black of Hose Company No. 1. A. S. Goodwin of Steam No. 2. Levi Giddings of Ladder No. 1. and John S. Collins of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2. were confirmed by the Board.

Department
discharges

On nomination by the Mayor

Constable

John C. Robinson was appointed and confirmed as Constable of this city.

On nomination by the

Police

Almon James S. Fuller was appointed a member of the Police Department.

On nomination by the Board

Fire

William H. Prescott was appointed a member of Hose Company No. 1. John Inman a member of Steam Engine Company No. 2. and George S. Prescott a member of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

Department
members

Whereas John A. Lowell has

given notice to the Board of his intention to erect buildings on Franklin Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, that the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, on Franklin Street, it is therefore hereby ordered, That due notice be given to the said John A. Lowell as the Trustee of the "Decline Fund Estate", and as Trustee of the Estate of the late Francis Amory, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the fourth day of March next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Franklin Street should be widened, it is therefore hereby ordered, that due notice be given to the "Fifty Associates", and James B. Case, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the fourth day of March next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Harrison Avenue

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Harrison Avenue by taking land of John and Maria. Said report was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Patrick Riley late 107

United States Deputy Marshal to be refunded the costs of a suit brought against him for the rescue of a fugitive slave who was in his custody. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. February 28. Came up concurred.

Riley

Petition of the Trustees of Eighth

the Eighth Methodist Episcopal Church situated on Belmont. That a Bell and Fire Alarm apparatus be placed in the tower of said Church. Referred to the Committee on Fire Alarm and Bell and Clocks. Sent down for concurrence. February 28. Came up concurred.

Methodist Epis
Church

Petition of Joseph Folsom for

appointment as a Ballast Inspector, came up from the Common Council. Read and referred to the Committee to nominate said Inspector. Sent down for concurrence. February 28. Came up concurred.

Folsom

Petition of Smith & Swinell

and others that the amount paid to them for wagon licenses in this city may be refunded. Read and referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28. Came up concurred.

Smith.

Oliver H. Spurr, City Mes-

senger nominated to the City Council as Assistant Messenger. Confirmed in Common Council. Read and said nomination was confirmed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Spurr

Messenger

The Common Council hav-

ing elected Samuel Hatch, abez Frederick, Ebenezer Johnson,

Architect

Water Board.

108. George P. French, George Linnie, in concurrence as members of
January 25. 1861. the Committee of the Board, and having also elected Samuel C.
Hall and S. Miles Standish as members of said Board in
place of Abner Allen and William Freeman chosen by
this Branch, said action came up for concurrence: and the bal-
lots having been taken and counted for two members of said
Board it appeared that said Hall and Standish were chosen
in concurrence.

Gover Street

Bridge
Sept 1

The Committee of this Board,
who were appointed to confer with a committee of the Com-
mon Council in relation to the office of Superintendent of Gov-
ernment Street Bridge having attended to that duty, agreed that
Abner C. Freeman was the most suitable person for that of-
fice. Read and accepted. and the Common Council having
elected Abner C. Freeman as Superintendent of said Gov. Street
Bridge, said action came up for concurrence; and the ballots
having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it
appeared that said Freeman was duly elected in concurrence.

Cook

Ordered: That the sum of
one hundred and twenty eight dollars ⁷⁷/₁₀₀ being the balance
of one quarter's salary up to April 1st last, be allowed and paid
to Samuel Cook late Freight Master of the city. and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for Salaries. Passed in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor, February 26. 1861.

Quinn

Whereas, the Hon: Charles Sum-
ner, a citizen of Boston and a Senator in Congress from Mas-
sachusetts, standing in his place in the Senate Chamber of

the United States and claiming to represent the citizens of 119

Boston, presumed to say, when the Hon. John F. Cullen of Ken February 25, 1861
tucky presented a petition from over twenty three thousand citi-
zens of Massachusetts, concerning the Southern question, a
certainly a very high basis, a very high ground, a high ground,
but if the signer had known what the petition was, they
never would have put their names to the petition," and there-
on, Sumner further presumed to dictate the course the petitioners
should have pursued, "a true love of the Union," and said
"the time for compromise is passed," and "he would surrender
nothing," and he thought the Cullen petition wrong in
every line, and thereon he noble and patriotic Senator from
Kentucky, Hon. John Cullen, who presented the petition, gener-
ally vindicated the citizens of Massachusetts in their patriotic
purpose now therefore be it Resolved: That the City Council of
the City of Boston, in view of these facts as set forth in the
foregoing preamble, feel called upon to repudiate the interpreta-
tion of the sentiments of the citizens of Boston represented
on the petition, by Mr. Charles Sumner, and to declare that
his assertion that the petitioners were ignorant of what they were
doing, to be not only undignified and specially unbecoming
a Senator and a citizen of Boston, but untrue. Resolved: That
the thanks of the City Council be tendered to Hon. John F. Cullen
for presenting the petition and declaring that he "felt cheered
by such a voice from Massachusetts, avowing their devotion to that
Union for which their ancestors fought." Resolved: That the Mayor
be requested to transmit a copy of the preamble and resolves to
the President of the United States Senate. Passed in Common Council
unanimously for concurrence. Read and a motion of adjournment.

110 nay, laid on the table.

February 25. 1861.

Consulting

Physicians

The Common Council having elected Guste Howard, John Ellis, Anna G. Clark, John P. Tracy as Consulting Physicians in concurrence with the Branch, and having also chosen Jacob Bigelow as one of said Physicians in place of Stephen Higgin. Voted by the Board: said action came up for concurrence: and the ballot having been taken counted for one Consulting Physician it appeared that Stephen Higgin was chosen, this Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in the choice of Jacob Bigelow. Sent down for concurrence.

Appears
report of Com^{rs}

The Committee appointed to nominate to the City Council suitable persons for Principal and to the High School, have considered the subject, and would unanimously recommend the election of the following named persons. In the Committee, Thomas P. Rich, Chairman. For Principal Joseph George E. Head, George Jackson, Henry Sargent and John L. Richardson. For the High School William H. Lane, John E. Lane, Benjamin Robinson, Thomas L. Holden, Joseph H. Adams, Isaac Smith, John Hall, John L. Lane, and David B. Lindall. Voted and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. It came up concurred.

Appears
Principal

The ballot having been taken and counted for four Principal. It appeared that George E. Head, Henry Sargent, Jonathan Tupper and John Richardson were chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

See Com
Report

The ballots having been taken and counted for the High School. It appeared that William H. Lane, John E. Lane, Joseph H. Adams, Isaac Smith, John Hall, John L. Lane, and David B. Lindall were chosen.

Francis Smith, Cyrus Washburn, Thomas Cass and Michael Cum- 111.
mings were chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

February 25. 1861.

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board authorizing the Land Commissioners to
the survey of that portion of the South Bay Territory embraced
in the contract of August 9. 1859, with William Evans, was read
a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Februa-
ry 28. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 1. 1861.

South Bay
Survey

Ordered: That the Committee
on Public Buildings be and they are authorized to furnish
new seats and desks for the Hancock School at an expense not
exceeding five hundred dollars, the same to be charged to the
appropriation for Grammar School. Read twice and passed. Sent
down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred. Approved
by the Mayor March 1. 1861.

Hancock
School

Ordered, That there be paid
to Cummings and Carlisle the sum of twenty five hundred
and forty dollars for work in cutting off ^{the} marine track, and
strengthening on the wharves No 140 270-141 141-151 and 151 on
North Street upon their giving to the city an acquittance and
discharge for all claims whatever; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for widening North Street. Read twice and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, February 26. 1861.

Marine track

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board to pay William Evans twenty six
hundred thirty five dollars and thirty seven cents, is read and taken

Wm Evans

112. To widen Harrison Avenue, was read a second time and passed.
February 25. 1861. Approved by the Mayor February 26. 1861.

Constable's
Bond. The Bond of James Levine, a Con-
stable, having been approved by the City Council was also approved
by the Board of Aldermen. Approved by the Mayor, February 26. 1861.

Reward
offered. Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor
be and he is hereby authorized to offer a reward not exceeding
two hundred dollars for information which shall lead to the
recovery of the person of Thomas Coyle of this City, a Slave, who
disappeared without the knowledge of his family or friends on
the night of the twentieth instant. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor, February 26. 1861.

Bruce. Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Edwin Bruce to
give a concert at the Tremont Temple on the twenty seventh
instant.

Hunt. Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Noah Hunt to exhibit
a Mammoth Horse at the Merrimac House Stables.

Auctioneer. E. C. Frederick was appointed
an Auctioneer at 138 Dorchester Avenue, South Boston.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of 113.

Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday,
the fourth day of March, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Four Grand and three

Juries drawn for the United States District Court.

Petition of Streeta and May- Streeta

nard, for three Hack Stands in School Street. Referred to the
Committee on Licenses.

Petition of E. L. Davenport for Davenport

a license for the Howard Athenaeum. Referred to the Committee
on Finance.

A memorial from J. Mitchell Mitchell

of St. Louis claiming that he has a right to lay down the cell-
ulose garment which Samuel R. Lewis has in in-
fringement of his patent. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of William P. Welch Welch

and others that the Eighth Street sewer may be extended.
Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

A communication was re- O'Leary

ceived from St. John O'Leary claiming that he has discovered
a valuable use to which coal ashes and refuse matter of
houses and stores may be devoted, and asking the City to
make a trial thereof. Referred to the Committee on Public
Health.

Petition of the Suffolk Rail

Road Company to leave to run a line of Carriages from
 to the said Road. Report to the Committee on the
 Company.

Highly &
 Thomas
 James

On nomination by the Mayor,
 to the Ticker and William J. Perkins were appointed and
 continued as Sales of Rights and Shares. The first for the
 Northern and the other for the Southern district.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor,
 Charles A. Whiting was appointed a Special Police Officer for the
 Suffolk Market.

Clapp
 Franklin Street

Agreeable to notice David and
 Ebenezer Clapp and others owners of the property on the corner
 of Franklin and Washington Streets applied and were
 heard against the proposed widening of Franklin Street at that
 point, by taking land of the Fifty Associates, James B. Case, and
 John A. Case. The petition was recommended
 to the Committee on Streets.

Thomas Street
 Lane

Whereas, in the opinion of the
 Board, the rights and convenience of the inhabitants require
 that Thomas Street should be extended it is therefore resolved that
 that due notice be given to Daniel Denny and Tharriet G. Denny
 that we have intent to extend the said Street by taking
 taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a
 public Street and that Monday the eleventh day of March next
 at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing
 any objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas in the opinion of 115.

the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Essex Street should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to John C. Barry that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion of his land and laying out the same as a public Street, and that Monday, the eleventh day of March instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. (This notice being incorrect, was not served. See March 11. 1864.)

March 1. 1864

Essex

Street

Barry

Petition of John Kirby to be compensated for injuries sustained by a fall upon the sidewalk in Boylston Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 7. Came up concurred.

Kirby

Petition of William McGurn to be paid for injuries sustained by his woman from an alleged defect in Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 7. Came up concurred.

McGurn

Ordered: That the Committee on Water consider the expediency of causing such fire-arms as have similar fixtures to be supplied with inch water at the city expense under the direction of the City Board. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 5. 1864.

Fire-arms

water for

The Common Council having decided that the City Engineer be a representative of the City in place

representative

Engineer

March 4, 1877

of Stephen Highill who was chosen by this Board. Said action came up for concurrence: and the ballot having been taken and counted for said Physician it appeared that Jacob Bigelow was chosen in concurrence.

Permanent

The Common Council

March 4, 1877

having elected Henry Sargent and J. New Richards Permanent Assessors in concurrence with this Board, and having also elected George Jackson and John L. Richardson as permanent assessors in place of George E. Heald and Nathan Tugson elected by this Board. Said action came up for concurrence: and the ballot having been taken and counted for permanent Assessors, it appeared that George E. Heald and John L. Richardson were again chosen by this Board. Sent down for concurrence.

4. 1877

The Common Council having

Assessors.

elected William H. Lane, John G. Davis, Isiphi H. Merriam, John Bell, Thomas Smith, Joseph L. Smith, Michael Cunningham and Thomas Leary as Ex. Com Assessors in concurrence with this Board and having also elected Benjamin Jessenden in place of John L. Richardson who was chosen by this Board, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballot having been taken and counted for one Ex. Com Assessor it appeared that Mark Grogins was chosen, this Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in the choice of said Jessenden. Sent down for concurrence. March 7. came up concurred.

J. 1877

Ordered: That the Com miller

House to sell

on Purvey be authorized to sell the House N^o 2. Love Street to Charles A. Hedman for the sum of Nine Thousand dollars.

Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 7. 117
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 8. 1861. March 4. 1861.

Ordered: That the Board of Land Commissioners be and hereby are directed to consider the expediency of reconsidering their recommendation of a site for the Free City Hospital. Sent down for concurrence. March 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 8. 1861. City Hospital.

Ordered: That the plan for laying out the Public Garden be so far modified as to authorize the location to the Green House near, and contiguous with Charles Street instead of its present site; and that the expense of the same be charged to the appropriation for the Public Garden. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 8. 1861. Public Garden.

The Committee on County Accounts, to whom was referred the petition of A. Elliott and others, presented an abstract of the late Federal Census, as far as it concerns this city, may be prepared and printed, and with it, other statistics, beg leave to Report: That the abstract proposed, if authorized, is intended to be upon the plan of that of Mr. Samuel Halluck, printed by order of the City Council in 1846, at an expense of twenty five hundred dollars. That work has been variously regarded as one of the most valuable and interesting of its kind. It presented for the first time a full and complete view of Boston, in its business, charitable, religious, edu-

March 4. 1861. educational, criminal and sanitary relations. Its numerous statistical tables contained much important material for the historian and political economist, and supplied the citizen with information of the utmost consequence to the successful prosecution of their business and judicious investment of their capital. It is very desirable that the statistics of the city should be published at successive and regular intervals, and the recent completion of the census marks the present as an appropriate time for such a work. At this more advanced stage of our growth it will afford a view of our comparative progress besides embracing statements in detail of many useful improvements and branches of industry which have been introduced since the publication of Mr. Shattuck. The highest testimonials indicate its merit as the fitting person to perform the task, and the annexed proposition of himself and Mr. Otis Clapp guarantees its faithful performance to the satisfaction of a three million of the city council. The work is certainly not of a nature to be undertaken by private enterprise. Involving a large amount of labor and requiring peculiar abilities, though it will be of permanent value, its sale may be limited, as it must contribute to our commonwealth by exhibiting the solid foundations on which it rests, and furnish members of the city council and all others in public employment information not elsewhere to be obtained, indispensable to the efficient and intelligent discharge of their duties; and as in the interchange of municipal and official courtesies it will furnish a valuable and fit offering to be bestowed in return for the gifts to a free state and public bodies in this and other countries, it seems to be justly entitled to be

oral aid from the government. The Committee therefore re-
commended the passage of the following order. In the Committee
Thomas C. Amory, & Chairman. Ordered: That Aldermen
with such as the Common Council may join be authorized
to contract with Messrs. Elliot and Clapp for three thousand cop-
ies of a statistical view of Boston, to be prepared under the su-
pervision and to the satisfaction of the said Committee or any
other the City Council may appoint for the purpose, the said
work to be completed by the first of next January, and the price
not to exceed one dollar a copy. Read twice and passed, and Al-
dermen Amory and Wilson were appointed on said Committee. Sent
down for concurrence. March 7. Came up concurred and Messrs.
Jones, Stockwell and Edmands were joined. Submitted to the
Mayor for approval March 9. 1861. (to page 151)

The Committee on Water and

Bliss

Public Instruction, who were directed to consider the expedi-
ency of purchasing the Ames and Richardson estates adjacent
to the City Yard on Bulfinch Street, were attended to that duty,
and by vote to Report: That although under some circum-
stances the addition of the property named to the City's Pipe Yard
might be advantageous, yet inasmuch as the purpose at one
time entertained of making the purchase to enlarge and im-
prove the shed at or South Street has been abandoned, the
benefits to be derived from the additional convenience to the
Pipe Yard do not seem to be commensurate with the large
outlay which would be required. The Committee are therefore
of the opinion that it is inexpedient to take any action upon
the matter. In the Committee, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Read

and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 7. Came up
March 14. 1861. concurred.

Shuttle.

The Committee on the Harbor,
to whom was referred the petition of Shuttle, Gaffield & Co. for
leave to sink a telegraphic cable across Fort Point Channel, to
connect their glass-house at South Boston with their office in
the City Hotel, have considered the same, and would respect-
fully recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For
the Committee, Nehemiah Gibson, Chairman. Ordered: That leave
be granted to Shuttle, Gaffield & Co. to sink a telegraphic cable
across Fort Point Channel, at the Federal Street Bridge, provid-
ed they shall assume all risk of any obstruction to the
channel which may thereby occur. In Common Council. Read
accepted and the vote passed. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 5. 1861.

Institutions
rules re:

The Directors for Public Institu-
tions submitted to this Board the Rules and Regulations for
the government and management of the several institutions
under their charge (being embraced in City Doc. 15) and asked
the approval of the City Council thereon. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island.
Sent down for concurrence. March 7. Came up concurred.

Assessors
auxiliary
board

Ordered: That the Committee
on Ordinances consider the expediency of amending the ordi-
nance relating to the Assessors' Department, so that there shall
be added to the Board of Assessors an additional number
of ten persons whose duty it shall be to meet with the Board

during its sittings only, the same to be selected from the dis- 121.
scent position and to be used without any consideration. See March 4, 1861
at in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 5, 1861.

Auditor's Office, Feb. 23, 1861. Auditor
John F. Dudley, Esq., President of the Common Council, Dear
Sir: In conformity with the requirement of the fifth section of the
Act of the Legislature in Finance, I have now the honor of
presenting to the City Council an estimate of the amount of
money which it will be necessary to raise to defray the expendi-
ture of the ensuing financial year, which will commence on
the first day of May 1861, and end with the last day of Ap-
ril, 1862.

The estimated Expenditure amount to \$3,171,970

The estimated Income \$1,771,675

Balance to be provided for by taxation

or otherwise. \$2,400,295

Two million four hundred and seventy seven thousand
five hundred and five dollars, which is about ninety five
thousand dollars more than was raised last year. Having re-
ceived from some of the committees and departments of the
Government, communications stating the manner in which
they propose to use the funds which may be placed at their
disposal, I submit them herewith. This estimate was read
at a meeting of the Board of Aldermen, Auditor of Accounts, in Common
Council. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance
with such of the Board of Aldermen may join with authority
to report in print. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-

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Overseers
of the Poorcouncil and Aldermen Burman, Sperry and Rosten were
joined.

The Joint Special Committee appointed to confer with the Overseers of the Poor as to the amount of means they require for future action, have attended to that duty, and he have to report: That they have held several interviews with the Overseers of the Poor upon the matter committed to them, and have also received from them a written communication containing a statement of their department under communication & receipt - submitted. They are obliged from the information furnished to the Overseers that an unusual demand has existed and still continues for alms during the present season. To the natural increase in the number of the poor population, has been added, as a cause of increased expenditure, a diminution of business activity which has thrown many persons out of employment, and increased the number of dependents upon public beneficence. In view of these facts the Committee would recommend an appropriation of the amount asked for by the Overseers to the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee, Ebenezer C. German, Esq., for Chairman. Voted: That the sum of Seven thousand eight hundred and fifty five dollars be added to the appropriation for the Overseers of the Poor, and that the Committee on Finance be requested to provide the means therefor. Passed in Common Council. Done of its ordinance, read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 5. 1861.

Signed

Whereas the City Council have directed the Salary of Ebenezer C. German, Esq. to be paid

tendent of the Federal Steel Bridge to be continued until 123.

April 1st next, and whereas said Roman has since been chosen March 11, 1861.
theintendent of the Erie Steel Bridge, it is ordered
that Honer J. Gaffield the late Superintendent, and present
occupant of the house and office, be permitted to remain
in possession of said house and office until the first of April next.
Read and laid on the table.

Ordered: That Aldermen Re Buck Bay
ta, Spinney and Furmenter be a Special Committee to confer
with the Buck Bay Commissioners and the Directors of the
Erie Steel Bridge Company in relation to the grade, direction
and location of the Steel Bridge across the Buck Bay
and Water Power Company's territory and to report if any ac-
tion of this Board is necessary in relation thereto.

The Committee on Bills and Sunday
Clocks to whom was referred the petition of David H. Stanley & Harm Bell.
that an Alarm Bell be placed on the Engine House
in Sumner Street, do hereby, unanimously adopt the petition
and respectfully advise the passage of the following order.
By the Committee, E. S. Wilson, Chairman. Ordered: That the
Committee on Bills and Clocks be and they are hereby author-
ized to place a suitable Alarm Bell upon the Engine House
on Sumner Street, and to cause the same to be
appropriation for same. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Board March 2, 1861.

The Committee on Police, to Sunday
whom was referred the petition of Joseph Story and fifteen hun-
dred and sixty other persons, of whom are clergymen, that no
Limo

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March 4. 1861. drinking saloon may be allowed to remain open on Sunday,
they leave to Report: That they find that orders have already
been given by the Mayor & the City of Police to require all
such places to be kept closed on that day. They gave to the pe-
titioners, at their request, a hearing upon their petition, and would
now recommend the passage of the following order. To the Com-
mittee, Thomas C. Snow, Jr. Chairman. Ordered: That His Honor the
Mayor be respectfully requested to take such measures as in
his judgement will best prevent the opening of drinking sa-
loons on Sundays. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Shewen
that.

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Sewers be authorized to construct under the direction
of the Board of Land Commissioners, a sewer in Shewen Street
and Albany Street between Church and Latham Streets; for
the proper drainage of the land bordering upon said streets; the
expense thereof to be paid from the appropriation for Public Lands.
Read twice and passed.

Constable
Bond

The Bond of John C. Freeman
as Constable, having been first approved by the City Council
was approved by the Board of Aldermen. Approved by the Mayor.
March 5. 1861.

Intelligence
Office.

Resolved: That the report of the
Committee on Licenses leave was granted C. B. Whetlock to keep
an Intelligence Office at 28 Sullivan Street.

Garrett
Stable

Resolved: That the report of the
Committee on Internal Health leave was granted to George
Garrett to erect a Stable for more than four horses on Latham Street.

Agreeably to the report of the 125.

Committee on Licenses the transfers of Hack Licenses 303, 318, March 4, 1861.
14, 23, 338, 395, 396 from John L. Lane to J. J. Park - also the transfer
of Hack license N. 208 from John Haley to M. M. Barry was ap-
proved by the Board.

The Committee on Faring to Clark

them was referred the petition of Clark and Son that measures
be taken to prevent the freezing of the ground. It is stated that
to the surface water, reported that no action is necessary. Read
and accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Union State

Committee on Internal Health leave was granted to the Union
State Company to enlarge their establishment at 217 Friend
Street.

The Board of Assessors sub-

mitted to this Board a List of Statements of taxes made during
the last year - also a List of the Persons, Partnerships and
Corporations taxed on Ten Thousand Dollars and upwards. On
motion of Mr. [unclear] the same was ordered to be
the Board on eight hundred copies ordered to be printed.

The Committee on Public M- Primary

Education were directed to consider the expediency of purch- School House
asing the lot on Beacon Street, adjoining the Primary School. Bloomfield
The Committee have attended to their duty, and beg leave
to report that the lot of the present School House is very con-
venient, and in case any building should be erected upon the
lot in front of the present one, the school would be con-
veniently situated. The Committee are informed that such a measure

Mayor is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Com- 127.
mittee on Finance, the sum of five thousand five hundred
dollars, the same to be appropriated to the purchase of an es-
tate adjoining the City's Primary School-house on Blooms Street.
and once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Harrison
avenue should be widened, and for that purpose it is neces-
sary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the
aid City, a parcel of land belonging to William Brown and
J. S. Blair bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the propo-
sed line of widening of Harrison Avenue, there measuring
fifty three feet and 7/10; Northeastwardly by land of Jacob
Brown ten feet and 7/10; Southwardly by the present line
of Harrison Avenue fifty three feet and 7/10; and Westward-
wardly by land of the Boston & Lowell R.R. ten feet and
7/10: containing five hundred and thirty seven square feet
or thereabouts. And whereas, due notice has been given
of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of
land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto
and annexed. It is therefore ordered, that the parcel of land
here described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid
out as a public street or way of the aid City, according to
a plan of the said widening made by James Smith, City
Engineer, dated March 2nd 1861 and deposited in the office of
the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge
that the expense of widening the said Harrison Avenue, as aforesaid,
will amount to six hundred and seventy one and 3/4
dollars: which sum together with the amount estimated of

Harrison

avenue

Brown & Blair

previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the
 week 1861, said municipal year, do not exceed the sum of five thousand
 and dollars. Read once.

Currant

Ordered: That there be paid to
 the said John Anthony Currant, junior and Emanuel Currant, the sum
 of three thousand and thirty dollars for land taken to widen
 North Street in the name of John Anthony Currant, and for all
 damages of any nature whatsoever, in pursuance of the re-
 solution dated February 25, 1861, and the agreement of the said
 said parties and the City of Boston, made and entered into
 on the fifth day of January A. D. 1861. The said sum, however,
 to be paid upon the agreement parties giving a deed to the
 same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages and
 costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that
 the said sum be charged to the appropriation for widening
 North Street. Read once.

Fitzpatrick

Ordered: That the City Treas-
 urer be directed to abate the assessment for sidewalk coman-
 ing to twenty five dollars and seventy five cents against the
 estate of William Fitzpatrick on Second Street, on account of
 his inability to pay. Read once.

Bradlee

Ordered: That there be paid
 to the said Bradlee the sum of two hundred and fifty
 dollars for full compensation for work and services rendered
 in the widening of said street upon the paving and
 of grade of said street upon the paving and

to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Pavement. Read once.

Referred to Sunday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Eleventh day of March, Anno Domini 1861

Present,

Mr. Mayr and all the Aldermen.

Petition of John A. Collins Collins

to be heard respecting his discharge from the Fire Department.

Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

Petition of Frederick Samuel Samuel

William B. Musick that a suitable place be provided for the storage of an ammunition. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

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Holley

Petition of Valentine Holley and others that Lark Street may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Holley

Petition of Josiah A. Smith, Lemuel A. Smith, Thomas H. Malachuk, George John Holley, Junr. and others for opening and widening certain streets for sewer to water certain streets in this city. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Holley

Petition of S. E. Bouditch that the Summer Street sewer between Chauncy and Arch Streets may be lowered. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

Holley

Petition of Flint Rastee for leave to erect a dwelling at 100 South Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Ricker

Petition of John C. Ricker for appointment as an Auctioneer at No 124 Hanover Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

Bary-
Essex Street

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Essex Street should be widened it is therefore hereby ordered, that due notice be given to Charles E. Bary, Mrs. Ann Taylor, William Edward House, John E. Bary, Thomas Bary, Mr. Frances E. Parker, Joseph E. Bary, Mr. Lucinda J. Linnis, Mr. Lydia S. Bary, George E. Bary, Mr. John S. Bary, Charles E. Bary, and Mr. Elizabeth Bouditch, that they do not intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twenty-fifth day of

in Court at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing
objections which may be made thereto.

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Petition of Ebenezer Smith for
assessment of damages for land taken by the Boston and
Maine Extension Rail Road Company, as set forth in his
petition to the Mayor and Aldermen on the fifteenth of June
1856 proceedings on which were suspended by mutual con-
sent. Read and answered. That due notice be given
to the said Boston and Maine Rail Road Corporation to ap-
pear before this Board on the twenty fifth day of March in-
stant at four o'clock P.M. at which time the Board will
proceed to estimate the damages as prayed for by said peti-
tioner and will take such other measures in the premises as by
the laws of this Commonwealth are provided in such cases.

Smith
Boston and Maine
Rail Road.

On nomination by the Mayor
Amos A. Drew was appointed a member of the Police Depart-
ment.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor
James C. Tucker and William B. Tucker were appointed Inspectors
of Municipal Streets.

Charcoal
Baskets

At the request of William Mi-
net, Esq. Aldermen Foster and Rich were appointed a com-
mittee to examine and audit the accounts of said Minet as
Treasurer of the Franklin Fund.

Franklin
Fund

At a special hearing to object
to the proposed extension of Athens Street on the line land of Daniel
and David C. Smith, said subject was referred to the common Council.

Athens
Street

Petition was received from

March 11, 1881. J. J. Lawrence and others requesting the Board to visit and
 survey the site of a canal at Cape Cod with reference to its
 feasibility and utility. Read and on motion of Mr. Lawrence the Board
 voted to visit the premises after a convenient time.

Curtis.

Petition of George Curtis to be paid
 for damages sustained by his vessel by obstructions in
 South Bay Channel. Referred to the Committee
 on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 14. Came up con-
 curred.

Lewis.

Petition of A. A. Lewis late Mayor
 of Portland Maine for payment of his wife's debt for her
 years from 1871 to 1872. Referred in common Council to the
 Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
 curred.

Gutting.

Petition of Gutting and others
 for abatement of taxes on Aqueduct Garden. Referred to the Com-
 mittee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence.
 March 14. Came up concurred.

J. J. Lawrence.

A communication was received
 from the Auditor of Accounts stating that additions will be needed
 to the appropriation for the year 1881. Includes of Primary School and innuities. Referred in common
 Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence.
 Read and concurred.

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A communication was received

from the Committee on the Fire Department asking for an
 appropriation additional appropriation of one thousand dollars.

to that Department this year. Read and referred to the Committee. March 11. 1868. March 11. 1868. concurred.

The orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Committee on Public Buildings to purchase the estate on Blossom Street in front of the City Hall for a sum not exceeding six thousand five hundred dollars. Also for a loan of fifty five hundred dollars to meet said expense, are read a second time and passed. The Aldermen Imory, Clark, Gibson, Hanson, Hatch, Furmenter, Peice, Rich and Wilson 10. Nays Aldermen Ruston and Spinney. 2. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on the Assessed Tax Department, to whom was referred the petition of Caroline H. Thompson for a writ of habeas corpus, have considered the same, and have leave to report: That the petitioner has paid no taxes for so long a time as the amount having been added to the amount of her supposed ready circumstances, and of incumbrances on her property. The Committee are informed, however, that Mrs. Thompson is without incumbrances, and that she is otherwise unable to pay her taxes. The Committee therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John S. Day, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 14. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Finance to whom was referred the communication of the Overseers of the Poor of the town of Wrentham, and that of the Co-chil-

Pinew
School House
Wrentham

Wrentham
Transfer of

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March 11. 1861. at Water Board of the same month, asking for additional
appropriation, were also considered the same. The Committee
respectfully recommend to the City Council the passage of the
annexed order granting the sum asked for. In the Committee,
Joseph A. Whitman, Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor & Re-
cords be and he is authorized to make the following transfer for ex-
tra appropriation, viz: Transfer from the appropriation for the
County of Suffolk six thousand five hundred dollars, and add
the same to the appropriation for the Water Works. Transfer from that
part of the appropriation for Public Institutions, applicable to the
use of the House of Correction, seven thousand nine hundred dol-
lars, and add the same to the appropriation for the relief of
the Poor. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. March
14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 15. 1861.

Crittenden

A communication was receiv-
ed from the Hon: John J. Crittenden of Kentucky accepting the in-
vitation to become the guest of the City of Boston in the
next session of the City Council. Read and passed. Ordered:
That William Wilson, May and Spence with
such as the Common Council may join be a joint commit-
tee with full powers to make suitable arrangements for the
appropriate reception and entertainment of the Hon: John
Crittenden of Kentucky, who has accepted his acceptance of the
of the invitation extended to him by the City Council to be-
come the guest of the City of Boston: and that the expense
thereof be charged to the appropriation for Entertainment
and Miscellaneous Claims. Read twice and passed. Sent
down for concurrence. March 14. Came up concurred and so

President of the Common Council and Messrs Ball, Jones, Grant 135.
man, Abbott and Frederick were joined. Approved by the Mayor. March 11. 1861.
March 15. 1861.

Ordered: That the Chief Fire
engineer of the Fire Department be authorized to submit a
annual report in print; and that one thousand copies thereof
be provided for the use of the City Government and Fire Depart-
ment. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Mar
on 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 15. 1861.

Ordered: That the Mayor, Stimpson
subject to the approval of the City Solicitor, be and he is hereby
authorized to execute and deliver on behalf of the City, a deed
confirming the title, which was intended to be conveyed to
Frederick H. Stimpson by the deed of the said City, dated April
11. A.D. 1844 and recorded in Suffolk Registry of Deeds Vol. 520.
Pg. 108. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 14. 1861.

Ordered: That the following Bills
be for materials or labor furnished by persons connected, di- to be paid
rectly or indirectly, with the City Government, be paid; provided
they are approved, audited and allowed in the usual man-
ner, viz: St. Smith & Co one hundred and twenty two dollars
and twenty five cents; fifty four dollars, nine dollars, & three
dollars and fifty cents. Price, Brothers and Flanders, forty eight
dollars and twenty one cents; John Allen dollars and fifty six
cents. Also about four hundred and fifty seven dollars and
eighty six cents. Abel Gordon, forty eight dollars and three cents;

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March 11. 1861. Parker and Brewster twenty four dollars and twenty three cents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 16. 1861.

Isidor
The Common Council having
acted on the report of the Special Committee on the Board, and having elected William G. Bartlett as one of said Isidor in place of Jonathan Neysen who was chosen by this Board, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted for one Isidor, it appeared that said William G. Bartlett was chosen in concurrence.

Lidd
Previous to the foregoing action a letter was sent to Benjamin Lidd, of New York, as a candidate for the office of Isidor. Placed on file.

Eastern
Avenue
Notice was received from the Common Council that Messrs Bull and Senio were elected to the joint Special Committee on the Eastern Avenue question. Read and placed on file.

Assistant
Isidor
The Common Council having
acted on the report of the Special Committee on the Board, and having elected William G. Bartlett as one of said Isidor in place of Jonathan Neysen who was chosen by this Board, said action came up for concurrence. Read, and on motion of Mr. [unclear]

That the election on the part of this Board was assigned
to Monday next.

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March 11, 1861.

The Superintendent of Sewers
submitted to the Board schedules of assessment for the con-
struction of Sewers in Athens Street, Nassau Street, Seventh,
eighth and 9th Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Athen, Nassau,

Seventh, Eighth

and 9th Street

sewers.

Resolved, That the safety and
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Athens
Street should be extended, and for that purpose it is neces-
sary to take and lay out as a public street running through the

Athen

Street

extended

said City, a parcel of land belonging to Harriet J. Lenny, bound-
ed as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the northeasterly line of
Athens Street extended, there measuring two hundred and nine
feet and $\frac{2}{100}$; Northwestwardly by B. Street, twenty feet; South-
westwardly by the southwesterly line of Athens Street extended
two hundred and nine feet and $\frac{95}{100}$; and Southwardly to
Athens Street, twenty feet: containing four thousand one hun-
dred and ninety one square feet and $\frac{1}{100}$ of a square foot.

Lenny

And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this
Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose before
said, as appears by the return thereto returned, It is therefore

Resolved, That the parcel of land before described be, and
the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or
way of the said City according to a plan of the said extension
made by James Glade, City Engineer, dated February 21st 1861,
and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen.
And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of extending
the said Athens Street, as aforesaid, will amount to one thou-

138. and dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates
March 11. 1861 of previous alterations or discontinuances in said sheet, during
the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand
and dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
March 14. 1861.

Fitzpatrick

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board for the City Treasurer to abate an assess-
ment of twenty five dollars and seventy five cents against
the estate of William Fitzpatrick for a sidewalk on Second Street,
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
March 14. 1861.

Burdette

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Nathaniel J. Burdette two hun-
dred and fifty dollars for work done on Hookline Street,
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
March 14. 1861.

Gurrant

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Seth J. Thomas the Attorney of Inber
by Gurrant and others, the sum of Three thousand and thirty
dollars in pursuance to an award of a referee, was read a
second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 14. 1861.

Harrison

Harrison

The resolve and order sub-
mitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Harrison
Avenue by taking land of Brown and Burr, was read a
second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 14. 1861.

Sidewalks

The report submitted to the Board at the last meeting of the Board
submitted to the Board a statement of accounts for sidewalks

sidewalks in North Street, amounting to seven hundred and
only nine dollars and eighty five cents. And and thereupon March 11. 1861
ordered that said amount be collected according to law.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the seventeenth day of December 1860, a nuisance has been abated in Washington Square, the cost of which was fifty two dollars; to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

On petition of L. M. Wood to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Taylor Street the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have cause to withdraw. Read and ordered.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Edward L. Lavenport to give theatrical, operatic and equestrian performances at the Howard Athenaeum, on the same conditions as existed in his license for 1860.

George A. Wheeler was appointed an Auctioneer, at No. 5, Ballerman Block, Lincoln Street.

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Time

Ordered: That there be paid to William H. Stone the sum of ten hundred dollars in damages sustained as owner of the estate of the late C. Thomas Murray in consequence of the widening of North Street, upon his giving to the city an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening North Street. Read once.

Same

Ordered: That there be paid to Daniel Jenny and his wife Harriet G. Jenny in her own right the sum of one hundred dollars for and taken to defend North Street, as per Res. 1865 passed this day by the Board of Aldermen upon their giving to the city a Warranty Deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening street. Read once.

Same

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to charge for the privilege of draining into the Common Sewers constructed in Washington Street between Dover and Castle Street and between Sulham and Springfield Streets during the year 1866, the sum of twenty dollars for each house or store lot not exceeding two thousand square feet, and at the rate of one cent per square foot for estates exceeding two thousand square feet; and that no permit be granted to enter drains into said sewers until payment conforming to the above rate shall be made. Read once.

Resolved: That the Board do: 141

adopt and adopt the revised grades, prepared by the Committee March 11. 1861.
on Paving, for Suffolk, Emerald, Village, and Albion Streets, Village
between Green and Chapman Streets, of Hingham Street Street
between Suffolk and Emerald Streets, and of Middlesex Street, and
and between Hingham and Chapman Streets. Said grades
being shown on plans and profiles of said streets, dated March
11. 1861, and deposited in the Office of the Board of Aldermen.
Read once and the Board voted to visit the premises on
Wednesday next at three and a half o'clock, P.M.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the eighteenth day of March, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Hibben.

Petition of George A. Sumner Sumner
and others that the City would purchase the Steam Fire
Engine made by A. W. Hay at East Boston. Referred to

142. the Committee on the Fire Department.

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Juris

Thirty five Jurors chosen

for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Cook

Petition of Fountain Cook for a mine
for a Hack License in this City. Referred to the Committee on
Licensing.

Hogan

Petition of H. C. Hogan for ap-
pointment as a Coal Weigher. Referred to the Committee on
Licensing.

Leach

Petition of Samuel Leach and
others that Le Street may be graded from Ninth Street to high
water mark. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Nelson
Lewis
Brooks

Petitions of Melzar Nelson and
others that a sewer be laid in Second Street from Downer
to H. Street; of Prince B. Lewis and others that a sewer be
laid in Cedar Street; of John B. Brooks and others that a
sewer be laid in Chestnut and Pine Streets. Referred to the
Committee on Sewers.

Munday

Petition of Owen Munday
that he be compensated for damages to his estate by the construc-
tion of a sewer in Cedar Street. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Sewers.

Brown

Petition of Brown and Lewis
that he be paid for land taken to widen Cedar Street. Referred
to the Committee on Streets.

Wells
Company

The Wells & Company
petitioned the Board that they might be allowed to use the

submit their receipts and expenses for said year. Read and
placed on file.

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On nomination by the Mayor,
Levi C. Dale was appointed a special Police Officer without
pay at **T. Wharf**.

Special

Police

Petition of Jane R. Goodnow
for an abatement of certain taxes assessed upon her estate
in Ward 12 for the last year, and also for the other years subse-
quent to her husband's death. Referred to the Committee on the
'Hefers' Department. Sent down for concurrence. March 12. Came
up concurred.

Goodnow

Communication was received
from the Director of Public Institutions asking for an ad-
ditional appropriation for the expenses of the State of Maine,
read and referred to the Committee on Institutions at South
Bristol and Deer Island. Sent down for concurrence. March
21. Came up concurred.

Institution

Petition of the First Regiment
of Infantry for permission to do escort duty to the State Prison
this or into further need. Referred to the Committee on the
Administration of that day. Sent down for concurrence. March 21.
Came up concurred.

First

Regiment

of Infantry

Petition of the First Regiment
of Infantry for leave to do escort duty on the occasion of
the winter reception. Referred to the Joint Special Com-
mittee on that subject. Sent down for concurrence. March 21.
Came up concurred.

First Regt

of Infantry

Petition of the New England
wards for leave to perform escort duty on the occasion of

New England

wards

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the Brillenden reception. Referred in Common Council to the
Special Committee on that subject. Came up for concurrence
Read and concurred.

New England

Guards

Petition of the New England Guards
to have a uniform coat made for the Municipal Authorities on
the occasion of the celebration of May Day. Referred in
Common Council to the Committee on that subject. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Cooper Street

Building

A communication from the School
Committee asking that the Cooper Street building may be trans-
formed from an Armory into rooms for the accommodation
for Primary Schools. Referred in Common Council to the Com-
mittee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred.

Public

Instruction

Ordered: That the Committee
on Ordinances be instructed to report an Ordinance defining the
prerogatives and duties of the Committee on Public Instruc-
tion. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 20. 1861.

Howard

The Committee on Claims, to
whom was referred the petition of Elias A. Howard, to be remuner-
ated for personal injuries received by him in consequence of an
accident due to the sidewalk at the corner of Francis and
Union Streets, have considered the same and they have to report
that the petitioner has undoubtedly suffered much in his person
in consequence of a fall upon the sidewalk aforesaid, and the
evidence as to the condition of the sidewalk is such as to
show that the city would be much increased in its liability

be brought to the politician. The Committee thought recommend that 145.

an indictment of the claim be referred to the Finance & the ac March 18. 1861
companying order to the Committee, Silas Rice, Chairman. Ordered:
that there be allowed and paid to Silas R. Hurst, in compen-
sation for personal injuries received by him in consequence
of an alleged defect in the City's sidewalks at the corner of Han-
over and Union Streets, the sum of eight hundred dollars, upon
his giving to the City a full release of all claim for damages on
account of said injuries; and that the same be charged to the
appropriation for incidental expenses and Miscellaneous claims.
Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 21.
Same up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 22. 1861.

The Committee on Finance to Appropriations
whom was referred the communication from the Auditors of the
accounts dated seventh instant, and that from the Committee
on the Fire Department of the seventh instant relating to ad-
ditional appropriation, have duly considered the same. They
respectfully recommend the passage of the annexed order
authorizing transfers of appropriations to meet the respective
cases. In the Committee, Capt. H. Huntman, Chairman. Ordered:
that the Auditors of Accounts be and be authorized to make
the following transfer of appropriations, viz: from Accounts of
Suffolk to Police, five thousand dollars; from Old Claims to
Grammar School, twenty five hundred dollars; from Public Build-
ings to Grammar School, twenty five hundred dollars; from the
same to the Fire Department, one thousand dollars; from Militia
Grants to instruct Grammar School, eight hundred dollars;
from various to militia, five hundred dollars. Read twice &

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Agreement

Agreement

passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 21. Came up concurred.

Approved by the Mayor, March 23. 1861.

Agreeably to assignment

the Board proceeded to ballot for Assistant Treasurers and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that Alcha C. Barnes of Ward 1. John S. Hamilton and Samuel R. Bird of Ward 2. Lucius C. Chase and John C. Edger of Ward 3. Daniel Cummings and Benjamin Bond of Ward 4. Leonard A. Cutler of Ward 5. John A. Black and William Smith of Ward 7. Amos C. Carter and Otis Rich of Ward 8. West Martin and Charles Hayden of Ward 9. John L. Simmons of Ward 10. James H. Tallon of Ward 11. William Gallagher and Eva Barker of Ward 12. were duly elected in concurrence. The Board also chose Benjamin Gold of Ward 1. John C. Bucknam and James M. Stevens of Ward 4. Lemuel Smith of Ward 6. James Fenn of Ward 10 and Nathaniel Mitchell of Ward 11. in place of George A. Hellins. B. L. Allen. F. S. Curuth. Hyatt Richards. Nathan Prince and Charles Henshaw who were chosen by the Common Council. Sent down for concurrence.

Bullet

Inspectors

The Joint Special Committee ap-

pointed to nominate to the City Council suitable persons to be Weighers of Lighters and Inspectors of Bullets, have considered the subject and now have to submit the following list of nominations. To the Committee, John S. Shaw, Chairman. The Inspectors and Weighers in-chief. Edward Bates. The Weighers and Inspectors. Alfred C. Bucknam. Benjamin Sullivan. William Smith. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 21. Came up concurred.

The Board then proceeded 147

to ballot for an Inspector to visit of Bullast, with the following result. Five members & ballots given. Edward Hatch had nine. Henry Lewis ten. So did Hatch was elected. Sent down for concurrence.

The ballots having been taken and counted on three names of Inspectors of Bullast, it appeared that William F. Holark, Cornelius Madison and George F. Perkins were chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That the Committee on finding credits and expenditures be authorized to contract with for doing the usual City Advertising for one year from May 1st 1861. Sent down for concurrence. Hatch 21. Come up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 22. 1861.

The Committee on laying out and widening streets respectfully submit the following report in relation to the subject of widening Franklin Street to a width of fifty feet from Quincy to Washington Streets. The Committee have given to the matter their deliberate consideration. It appeared in the examination of the facts before them, that extensive buildings were about to be erected, and that it would be necessary to widen the street at the present time, or to lose the most favorable opportunity that will ever exist to pass by, and thus suffer the street to remain narrow and inconvenient, perhaps forever. It was proposed that the abutters and owners on the street should contribute towards the cost and expense of the same.

improvement; and the Committee have the satisfaction of being
 able to state that the parties have agreed in writing to pay into
 the Treasury the sum of twenty seven thousand one hundred and
 fifty five dollars; and it is fully believed that that sum will cover
 at least, one third of the entire expenditure to be made by
 the City for the land and damages. The owners, except in one in-
 stance, have agreed to convey so much of their land as is necessary
 for widening, at the same price per square foot, as the
 same actually cost them. In view of these facts the Committee
 consider it expedient that the street be widened now, and
 that a loan be raised to meet all the liabilities which the City
 may incur thereby; they therefore recommend the passage of the
 accompanying order to the Committee of the City, Chairman. Re-
 solved: That the Treasurer be, and he is hereby, authorized to
 borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the
 sum of sixty three thousand dollars, and that the same be ap-
 propriated, so much thereof as may be required in liquida-
 tion of the cost and expenses of widening Franklin Street. Read twice
 and passed. Read Aldermen Allen, Clark, Brown, Wilson, Green-
 menter, Price, Day, Preston, Rich, Spinney, and Wilson McKay's hon-
 or. Sent down for concurrence April 4. Came up concurred. Voted 40
 Ayes 1. Approved by the Mayor, April 5. 1861.

The list of names qualified to
 serve in the Common Council of the County of Suffolk having
 been called by the Mayor and returned and having been
 posted up for more than ten days in the Court House and City
 Hall was transmitted to the Common Council for review and
 acceptance pursuant to law.

The order submitted at the 11/19.

last meeting of the Board to pay Linn and S. B. Linn one thousand dollars in land taken to extend. Thoms Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. March 20. 1861. Linn

The order submitted at the Hyne

last meeting of the Board to pay William S. Hyne for damages sustained by him as lessee of the estate of Thomas Murray's heirs in Park Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 20. 1861.

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board to authorize the Superintendent of Sewer & Drainage for the privilege of entering the Common Sewers in Huntington Street between Green and Centre Streets & between Belknap and Springfield Streets, the sum of twenty dollars for each lot not exceeding two thousand square feet, and at the rate of one cent per square foot for estates exceeding two thousand square feet was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor March 20. 1861.

Resolved by a vote passed

the twentieth day of December 1859, a certain parcel of land, therein described, was taken on Union Avenue, late Plymouth Street, and the same was laid out as a public street in a way of said city, it is therefore ordered, that due notice be given to Oliver Tenney and all other persons interested as owners, or parties, tenants, occupants or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Union Avenue, late Plymouth Street,

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a established by the Resolve aforesaid, or move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid, on or before the first day of May now next ensuing. And in default thereof the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land, and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Harrison Avenue, late Plymouth Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening streets.

Albany
Street

Ordered: That the Com-

mittee on Paving be authorized to employ a competent person to superintend the building of Albany Street, from Green Street Bridge to Maiden Street, under the contract between the City of Boston and William Evans and Son. The expense thereof to be charged to the Albany Street Loan. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 19, 1861.

Old Colony
and Fall River
Railroad

Whereas a Bill is now pend-

ing before the Legislature of this Commonwealth to enable the Old Colony and Fall River Railroad Company to change their location within the County of Suffolk which provides, among other things, for changing of grade of a portion of South Street and of Green Street Bridge, at the expense of the City of Boston, and also contemplates an alteration of the Market Street. Therefore Resolved: That this Board is unanimously opposed to the passage of said Bill - and it is hereby Ordered: That at the next meeting of the Mayor be requested to unite with this Board in the passage

tion and presentation to the Legislature, of a remonstrance against 151
the passage of said Bill. Ordered: That Aldermen be a March 18. 1861.
committee to present said remonstrance to the Legislature, and
endeavor to procure the rejection or modification of said Bill. Read
twice and passed and Aldermen Fair, Foster, Smory, Clark, Smith,
Mcmenter and Minney were appointed on said committee. &
proved by the Mayor, March 19. 1861.

March 15. 1861. To the Board of Aldermen, I beg to return
the order, passed by the City Council, in relation to the proposed
expenditure of three thousand dollars for an abstract of the late
Federal Census, as recommended by the Committee on County
Accounts, which I cannot consistently approve for the following
among other reasons. First: Because I do not deem it expedient
for the City to be joined with private parties in the preparation of
and proposed publication, and I apprehend that the consumma-
tion of this order would introduce a precedent of doubtful utility,
if not of questionable legality. Second: If in the judgement of
the City Council, the public interest will warrant so large an ex-
penditure for such a work as is contemplated in this order, I believe
that it should be prepared and published as a City Document
in the usual manner. Third: The number of copies, proposed to
be taken by the City, is so large that the care and distribution
of them would extend through a term of years, and would involve
a considerable expense not contemplated in the order. Fourth: If it
is deemed advisable for the City to incur the estimated expense
for a work of this kind, it would seem more judicious to have an
edition of the usual number printed at first, and have the work
electrotyped so that, in future editions, it could receive such additions

and alterations as might be considered useful or necessary. This would be done with the aid and labor incurred by the care of so large a number of volumes at one time. I therefore respectfully submit these considerations to the Board of Aldermen, in which both the Order originated, for such action as they may deem expedient. Ego. J. Lightman, Mayor. Read and thereupon the Board proceeded to reconsider said order (as recorded page 11), and the question being stated on the passage of said order notwithstanding the same. Ayes: Aldermen Clark, Hanson, Hulch, Furmenter, Rice, Ray, Weston, Rich, Spinney, Wilson, 11. So said order was rejected.

On motion of Alderman Clark the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at its last meeting it accepted the report of the Committee on Faring giving leave to withdraw to L. H. Ford, an application for compensation for damage received by the change of grade in Taylor Street: and said report was recommitted to the Committee on Faring in order that the petitioner may be heard.

Charlestown

Bridges

A complaint from the Captain of Police Huber, that the lamps on Charlestown and Harlow Bridges are not lighted so often or thoroughly as they should be was read and referred to the Committee on Bridges with direction to ascertain the proper state, authorities in the matter.

Prothonary

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Finance Jan 6. 1860 the same was adopted and the same at 129 Hanover Street.

to whom was referred the petition of Major Gen^l Bullock that a suitable place be provided for the storage of ammunition, reported that there is no convenient place in the city where the large quantities of powder which would be required by the Military Companies in Boston could be stored with safety. By distributing supplies to the several corps the small amount sufficient for each might be deposited at some point convenient to their quarters without danger to the neighborhood, and the person to whose care it is committed be licensed to keep and sell gunpowder according to law. The Committee also recommend that General Bullock be notified of the above report. Read and accepted.

The order submitted on the fourth instant to authorize James G. Field, late Superintendent of the Town Street Bridge to retain his office and possession of the house on said Bridge until April first next, was taken from the table and was acted by the following vote: Lieut. Alderman. Hatch, Farmer, 4, Spinner and Wilson 5. Lieut. Alderman. Messers. Hanson, Pease, Preston, Rich 6.

Gaffield
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The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the adoption of the several grades for South, Emerald, Village, and Union Streets between Essex and Chapman Streets, of Hingham Street between South and Emerald Streets, and of Muldrey Street between Hingham and Chapman Streets, was read a second time and laid on the table.

Village

and other streets
grades

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Franklin Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to

Franklin
Street

lake, and lay out as a public lot or lots as the said city or
June 10, 1861, piece of land belonging to the President and Directors of Harvard
University bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed
line of widening of Franklin Street, there measuring fifty feet;
Southeastwardly to Haver Street, eleven feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; Southwardly
by the present line of Franklin Street, fifty feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; and
Northwestwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from
John A. Lowell, Trustee of the Lowell Lecture Fund, twelve feet and
 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch: containing one hundred and fifteen square feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch
or less. Also a piece of land belonging to John A. Lowell, Trustee
of the Lowell Lecture Fund, under the will of John Lowell, Esq.,
bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of
widening of Franklin Street, there measuring fifty feet; South
eastwardly to land above described as taken from the President
and Directors of Harvard College, twelve feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; Southwardly
by the present line of Franklin Street, forty-nine feet and
 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; and Northwestwardly by land hereinafter described as
taken from John A. Lowell, Trustee under the will of Francis Am-
ory, thirteen feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch: containing one hundred and fifty-seven
square feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch or less. Also a piece of land be-
longing to John A. Lowell, Trustee under the will of Francis Am-
ory, bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed
line of widening of Franklin Street there measuring thirty-seven
feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; Southeastwardly to land above described as taken
from John A. Lowell, Trustee of the Lowell Lecture Fund, thirteen
feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; Southwardly by the present line of Franklin Street
thirty-seven feet and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; and Northwestwardly by land here-
inafter described as taken from Fifty Associates, fourteen feet and
 $\frac{25}{100}$: containing five hundred and eighteen square feet more or

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is a parcel of land belonging to Fifty Associates, bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly to the proposed line of widening of Franklin Street, then measuring fourteen feet and $\frac{64}{1000}$; Southwardly to land above described as taken from same: Four Trustees under the will of Francis Amory and by the present line of Franklin Street, twenty feet and $\frac{25}{100}$; Southwardly to the present line of Franklin Street, one hundred and five feet; Northwestwardly by Washington Street, twenty one feet and $\frac{21}{1000}$; Southeastwardly by land above described as taken from same: Base, eighty seven feet and $\frac{6}{100}$; and Northwardly by the same, one foot and $\frac{3}{100}$: containing two thousand one hundred and twenty one square feet, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to same Base, bounded as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of Franklin Street then measuring eighty seven feet and $\frac{6}{100}$; Southeastwardly to land above described as taken from Fifty Associates one foot and $\frac{3}{100}$; Southwardly by the same, eighty seven feet and $\frac{6}{100}$; and Northwestwardly by Washington Street $\frac{55}{100}$ of a foot: containing eight hundred and twenty four square feet and $\frac{24}{1000}$, more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return therunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and the same hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by James Glade, City Engineer, dated August 6th 1860, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And the said Board doth certify that the extension of widening the said Franklin Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Fifty two thousand five hundred square feet: which sum together with

156 the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinu-
March 18, 1861. as in said sheet, during the present municipal year, does ex-
ceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets under the approbation of the Committee on Paving is
authorized to contract, by advertising for proposals, or otherwise,
as may be deemed for the best interests of the City, for such
quantities of Black Lumber as shall be needed for the paving
of the streets during the year 1861, to be awarded in such quantities
at such times and places as the Superintendent of Streets shall
direct. The wood to be procured from branches outside the limits of
Boston Harbor. Read once.

Athena
Street
and
Whereas pursuant to an Order of
this Board, passed on the tenth day of July 1860, notice being
thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been con-
structed in Athena Street between A. Street and Midland
Railroad Bridge, the cost of which was six hundred and
seventeen dollars and twenty cents, one quarter part whereof
being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains four
hundred and sixty two dollars 90/100 to be charged to persons
benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered
that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed,
being benefitted as aforesaid, be and their heirs are charged
and assessed, with the same therein set to their respective shares
in their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer and the
same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the
parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read once.

sement for construction of sewer in Nassau Street pursuant to an order of Board of Aldermen passed June 2nd 1858. Pursuant to an Order of this Board passed on the fifth day of November 1858, public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Nassau Street, the cost of which was five hundred and forty nine dollars and ten cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted to be paid to the said City, there remains four hundred and eleven dollars ⁹⁴/₁₀₀ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law. It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their heirs and assigns forever.

Whereas pursuant to an order Eighth & Seventh
of this Board, passed on the twenty second day of August 1860, and J. Street
public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer
has been constructed in Eighth and Seventh Streets between
Fourth & J. Street, and in J. Street, between Seventh and Eighth
Streets the cost of which was sixteen hundred and twelve dollars
and ten cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid
to the said City, there remains twelve hundred and nine
dollars and ⁸/₁₀₀ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same,
according to law. It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named
in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid,
be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the

158. was then read to their respective names & their signatures
out of the record & the said Deed, and the same is ordered to
be signed and sealed with the seals of the said City of Boston
tenants or lessees. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall in Boston
the nineteenth day of March, Anno Domini, 1861. at eight o'clock
half o'clock P.M. by order of the Mayor.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Gibson.

Police.

On nomination by the Mayor the
following persons were appointed and confirmed as Police
Officers of the City of Boston, with all the powers of Constables
except the power of arresting and securing civil process, subject
however to removal from office by the Mayor, viz. Joseph L. G.
Ames, Edward H. Savage, James B. Weeks, Luther A. Ham, M. Ma-
cill, John S. Mullin, George M. King, Robert Taylor, William C. French,
Arnold C. Whitcomb, Nathaniel S. Davis, Oliver Woodcomb, Paul J.
Finnell, Franklin Combs, George Churchill, Augustus Clark, Cyrus Hall.

William Chadbourne, Henry T. Guer, George A. Morse, James Adams 154
Sydney H. Gould, Peter S. Fairbanks, John H. Hines, Benjamin Adams, March 18, 1861
John E. Hoyer, Peter M. Grant, Samuel G. Adams, Daniel Hancock
Thomas P. Peice, George F. Clifford, Lyford H. Graves, George W. Chapman,
Richard Lang, James Simonds, Charles West, David F. Crocker, Simon
J. Wright, John M. Dunn, John P. Lynch, James J. Ledy, Moses Gurgent,
Benjamin Heath, Mary E. Marsh, George H. Oliver, George A. Maus, Daniel
Amosden, J. B. Blanchard, William H. Bancroft, William H. Currier, John
Gardley, W. J. Clapp, Niram Cobb, Charles D. Fowler, Elizabeth H. Goodwin,
George A. Hutchinson, William A. Ham, James Jellison, Samuel
Jenkins, James S. Kimball, George F. Leonard, Andrew Lincoln,
Benjamin P. Miller, Fred^r P. Moore, Albert Estlander, Henry C.
Pick, George A. Richard, Samuel Patterson, Cromwell G. Rowell, Her-
ison O. Reed, William A. Reed, Robert Root, Charles S. Foster,
James H. Gurney, John C. Warren, Isaac A. Williams, Joseph A. Wil-
son, Amos F. Wilkins, Joseph A. Warren, Enos Waggatt, Joseph
Ackerman, Thomas Bennett, James B. Brooks, Benjamin D. Bu-
ley, John C. Burdett, Sylvester Brown, Clewius Boston, H. H. Hury,
Mark Chase, Jacob H. Courrier, Joseph R. Carr, Perry W. Cleveland, Dan-
iel W. Child, Amos G. Duke, John S. Lotbeare, Thomas A. Lennedy,
Winbell L. Gunt, Solomon L. Foster, Isaac H. Hite, Sumner Gore,
Robert L. Gigg, Calvin Hutchins, James J. Hill, Thomas J. Jones,
William Kendall, Freeman J. Kimball, Alvan Lincoln, Harrison
Marsh, Seth A. Noyes, Samuel Preston, Thomas J. Rowe, Samuel
S. Ross, Augustine Sanderson, William H. Stickney, George G.
Stewart, W. C. F. Tracy, Charles Task, De Lafayette Thompson, C. F.
Winship, C. A. Walker, David Whisdele, Thomas Cooper, William
H. Lurell, John B. Eastman, Joshua Foster, George Rich, Stephen
A. Fish, Simon B. Hewitt, John S. Harvey, Tobias A. Haley, Isaac

100 Hines, J. R. Gauding, Henry J. Myers, David H. McKinney, J. W.

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Levy, A. A. Fitch, Warren F. Phillips, A. W. Sturtevant, Charles
L. Stevens, Jacob True, Shalaw H. Thayer, Warren A. Wright, Charles
C. Webster, Thomas S. Adams, Charles D. Berry, J. H. Briggs, John W.
Baker, Charles C. Boothby, A. J. Bennett, William A. Coombs, Alfred G.
Chase, Horch Gouldman, Willard J. Clough, Sidney Copeland, A. W. Estes
Jm C. Easterbrooks, Calvin P. Elliot, Seth W. Fogg, B. J. Farwell, David
H. Foster, Samuel Godwin, Samuel Hinkson, John H. Hunkins,
Samuel H. Howe, Charles P. Inman, Henry C. Luffin, J. H. Lewis,
Daniel M. Lighten, Alvin B. Libby, George S. Maynard, John W.
May, Moses S. Moulton, Daniel M. Neal, Henry N. Culham, Timo-
thy N. Peabody, John M. Pugh, George W. Peabody, Fred H. Porter,
James M. Sargent, Erastus G. Smith, Curtis Smith, Elijah P. Thompson,
George M. Warner, James W. Wray, William Wells, George W. Wheeler.
Moses G. Wapen, John L. Cook, George S. Kent, Lewis Landuke, Abram
H. Leavitt, Charles Moody, A. B. McDonald, Luc M. Connel, Thomas
J. Peabody, Daniel B. Rouse, Gilman B. Robinson, Samuel H. Saxon, Al-
am Sylvestre, Benjamin S. Stillings, George W. Stevens, Mark A.
Winslip, Abraham Whitney, Charles L. Wilson, George F. A. Wiscase,
James J. Crocker, Samuel Crane, Seth H. Clough, Almer G. Crocker,
George Emerson, George Emerson, 2nd. Mark Farnald, A. B. Finson,
C. Foster, 2^d Sumner Howard, Grenville Leland, John W. Means,
John H. Estlin, James Feltson, Joseph S. Perkins, Theophilus R.
Prescott, Josiah S. Robbins, Shepherd Russell, George Smith, John H.
East, Joseph Shilden, George H. Williston, Daniel Warren, Franklin
Wiken, Jesse Bickford, Joseph C. Weston, David C. Crocker, Edward
G. Davis, James Lowell, John G. Wendell, Edwin J. Weyland, Jesse Smith,
Charles West, George W. Wells, Ephraim Adams, C. H. Atkins, Alvin H. Ward,
Benj. D. Curtis, John Grant, Warren Grant, John S. Grant, Leander

for General Lighten, James H. Newcomb, Joseph H. Park, Edwin 181
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Allen, David H. Bartlett, Daniel S. Gould, Symon S. Holt, Frank
H. Nelson, Thomas Nelson, John M. Pennington, Allen S. Richardson
John Savage, Freeman G. Baldwin, Charles F. East, William H.
Lewinsworth, Wm H. Briggs, James E. Baker, Levi S. Howe, John A. Buckley,
Albert E. Kingstry, Freeman Stone, Luther Hunt, Eldridge W. Stein,
Elijah H. Graham, John C. Loring, Angelle Sed, Jeremiah Gould, Jr.
G. W. Adams, Augustus Blood, William Chastin, Levi Winchfield, Abel
H. Scott, C. S. Duckstray, Freeman Fiken, John M. Brooks Charles C.
Turner, Isaac B. Jordan, George B. Carter, Anthony Holbrook, Moses G.
Cokes, Chandler Gould, Frank C. Scott, James H. Sharkey, James C.
Linnick, Daniel C. Luddy, William A. Knight, Freeman G. Crawford,
Charles C. Bruce, Derastus Clapp, James H. Fuller, Alfred R. Drew.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the twenty fifth day of March, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Abner Simonds

Simonds

and others that the City would purchase and preserve the re-
volutionary Battery at South Boston Point. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Common and Squares.

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 Emerson. Petition of Jonathan Emerson and others residents on street below Church Street, that some means of drainage be furnished to them. Referred to the Special Committee on Back Bay Streets.

Smith

Petition of Freeman Smith to be compensated for change of grade in Milford Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Ventress

Petition of Magnus Ventress and others that Third Street near South Street may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Halmsey

Petition of Henry Halmsey for abatement of a sidewalk assessment in Cambridge Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Wray

Street

In person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Wray Street by taking land of Charles C. Wray and others, heir of the late Thomas Wray, said subject was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Smith

Benjamin
 Adams

Agreeably to notice, upon the petition of Benjamin Smith for assessment of damages for land taken from him by the Boston and Maine Railroad Corporation, said corporation appeared by C. F. Fidd, Esq. and said petitioner appeared by Geo. H. Phillips, Esq. At the suggestion of said Council, who desired further time to consider the case, the subject of the hearing was continued to Monday, next at four o'clock P.M.

Chambers

& Green

Street.

Ordered: That due notice be given that the Board will, on Monday, next, at four o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Chambers Street, between Canton and Green

Sheds, and in Green Street between Chambers and Everett Sheds, 163.

and of assessing the expense thereof in all persons, who may March 25. 1861.
enter their particular Trains into such Common Saver, or who,
by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby:
Any person, making fictitious claims, will then and there be
sued.

On nomination by the Mayor,
the following persons were appointed and confirmed as Police Officers
of the City of Boston with all the powers of constables except the
power of serving and executing civil process George H. Fiske,
Daniel M. Hill, Abel A. Hickman, Charles E. Robinson, Simeon Hill
banks, William Duke, Charles A. Seavey, Edwin S. Shaw.

Police
Officers.

Thirty two traverse Juras drawn
for the Superior Court Criminal section - Thirty two Juras for the
first session of the Superior Court, and thirty one Juras for the second
session of the Superior Court.

Juras

Petition of Michael Lomasney to
be compensated for personal injuries sustained by him from
the defective railing around Washington Square. Referred to
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 28.
Came up concurred.

Lomasney

Petition of Eliza E. Sampson to
be compensated for injuries sustained by her by reason of an
alleged defect in Everett Shed. Referred to the Committee on
Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred.

Sampson

The Committee on Claims, to
whom was referred the petition of Henry S. Lewis, to be paid the

Lewis

107. amount of the rent of the office as Scales of Weights & Measures,
March 25 1861. In the years 1856 and 1857, have considered the same and beg
leave to report: That in the opinion of the Committee, which
opinion is sustained by the City Councils, the City is not bound by
law to afford an office for the Scales of Weights and Measures; and
the allowances made in late years for rent of such offices have been
at the pleasure of the City Councils and not compulsory. The Com-
mittee are not in favor of granting an allowance of back rent,
however, to an officer who took and retained the office with
a full knowledge of the custom which prevailed, and who
has not until this remote day, and set up a claim to be paid as
a lawful right. If the present petition should be granted, they
do not see why similar allowances should not be made to
all persons who have held the office of Scales of Weights and
Measures, since the organization of a local government. They
therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.
In the Committee, Giles Price, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence.

City
Hospital
site

The Committee on the Free City
Hospital, after consultation with the Consulting Physician, the
City Physician and the Land Commissioners are persuaded
that public interests require that the location of the City Hospi-
tal established by order of the City Councils, December 24, 1860,
should be modified by extending the lot through to Morrison
Avenue, and for that purpose they recommend the passage of
the following order. In the Committee, Thomas C. Utmyer, Jr. Chairman.
Ordered: That the Board of Land Commissioners be directed
to set apart the lot of land lying between Concord Street, Harrison

Armed, Springfield Street and the land set apart by order of the City Council, Dec. 31, 1861, as a site for a city hospital, as an addition to and part of said Hospital site. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 29, 1861. 165 March 25, 1861

The Committee on Claims to whom was referred the petition of Hugh S. Brown to be compensated for the destruction of his show-window in consequence of pressure against it by a crowd in the street, have considered the same, and beg leave to Report: That, being advised that the City is not liable for accidents of the nature named, they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Peice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred. Brown.

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas J. Barnes, to be paid for personal injuries sustained by him in consequence of being struck by a falling rocket stick on the evening of November 5, 1860, have considered the same and beg leave to Report: That although the case is one which appeals strongly to individual sympathies, and ought to demand the charitable consideration of the political organization whose violation of the ordinances caused the accident to Mr. Barnes, yet it is not one for which the City has any legal or moral responsibility; and the Committee therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Peice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred. Barnes.

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Steuart

whom was referred the petition of Stuart & Co. Expressmen, to be paid for a sack of oil thrown from their warehouse and destroyed in consequence of the alleged bad condition of Cambridge Street, have considered the same and beg leave to Report: That, in the opinion of the Committee the condition of the Street was no more unsafe than that of all our streets at times, in the winter season, owing entirely to natural causes, over which the City has no control and for which it cannot be held responsible. And if in this case the City could be held liable for the loss of property, it would be unreasonable, not to the petitioners but to the owners of the oil. The Committee therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. In the Committee, Silas Peirce, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred.

Lilly

whom was referred the petition of John Lilly to be allowed compensation for personal injuries sustained by him in consequence of falling upon the sidewalk of Market Street, alleged to be defective have considered the same and beg leave to Report: That, as appears by the representations of the petitioner himself, the ground of his claim has already been passed upon judicially, and in favor of the City; so that any payment of money to the City to him would be solely in the name of charity. As any such grant would be in addition to other charities of the City, from which, if needy, the petitioner can derive benefit, the Committee recommend that he have leave to withdraw. In the Committee, Silas Peirce, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred.

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Currier

meers respectfully represent, that on the tenth day of February 1859, a deed was given by the City of Boston to G. D. & M. Currier for a lot of land on Union Park and numbering thirty one on a plan recorded with Plans of City, Town and, &c. &c. in the office of the Superintendent of Public Land, which deed was recorded in the Registry of Deeds, Lib. 751, Vol. 207, but was not alluded to by the title deed of said, M. Currier. Since that time it has been sold by the Messrs Currier to Benj. I. Whitcomb, who has erected thereon a dwelling-house. Mr. Whitcomb having recently disposed of the same, the purchaser in looking at the records discovered the error above mentioned, and on application to the Messrs Currier it was found that the said deed to them from the City had been destroyed. The last purchaser, by advice, declines to take a deed from Mr. Whitcomb unless the City will confirm their previous deed. The Commissioners would recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Eben^r French, Chairman. Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to execute such instrument or instruments as shall be satisfactory to the City Solicitor, confirming the deed given by the City of Boston to G. D. & M. Currier, February 10th 1859, for land on Union Park and which deed is recorded Lib. 751 Vol. 207, in the Registry of Deeds. Read twice & passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 29, 1861.

The Committee on Public

Tenthac Street

Buildings: beg leave respectfully to represent to the City Council: That among the unfinished business of the last year referred to this Committee was the execution of an order of the City Council for the construction of a Grammar School House in the Phil-

School House

108. The School to be located at the corner of Arthur and West Centre

March 25. 1801. Street. This site is near the present Phillips School House but is not so favorable a location. There are but two members of the present committee who were upon the same committee last year, and neither of them favored the new location; but as it received the recommendation of those who selected it, the land was purchased, and a contract was made for the erection of a building. The season having arrived for the prosecution of the work, it became the duty of the committee to examine the premises and appoint a sub-committee to supervise the work as it should progress. In giving the lot a careful examination, with reference to the proposed location of the school-house relative to other buildings on adjoining streets, the committee were surprised to find the cramped and unfavorable position in which it is proposed to place the building, its whole westerly line being from four to six feet distant only from solid brick walls but a true division line. Now, if the contract are carried out, the city would erect a school house with facilities for light and air and yard room inferior even to those of houses where it has been deemed important to enhance them by purchasing additional adjacent land. The committee therefore in order that the City Council and the School Committee of the Phillips School may form an opinion as to the wisdom of proceeding with the contract respectfully invite those bodies to visit the premises with the Committee on Public Buildings, on Friday, twenty ninth instant, at nine o'clock, A.M. to the Committee Genl. Foster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred.

The following petitions came up from the Common Council of Hyman Godwin to be chosen Inspectors of Ballast of Edge, Richardson & Co and others of W. Field & Co and others of E. G. Egg and others that Henry Curtis, Abijah Sewksbury and William S. Ballis may be chosen inspectors of Ballast. Sent and placed on file.

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Ballast

Inspectors

The Common Council having elected Henry Curtis as Inspector in charge of Ballast in place of Edward Hatch chosen by this Board, said action came up in concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Inspector in chief, it appeared that Edward Hatch was chosen by this Board. Sent down in concurrence. March 23, came up concurred.

Ballast

Inspector in Chief

The Common Council having elected as Assistant Ballast Inspector, William S. Clark in concurrence with this Board and having also elected William S. Ballis and Abijah Sewksbury as said Inspectors in place of Cornelius Sullivan and George W. Perkins elected by this Board, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted for two Inspectors of Ballast, it appeared that Cornelius Sullivan and George W. Perkins were chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

Ballast

Inspectors

The Common Council having elected Benjamin Dodel of Ward 1. and Jeremiah Smith of Ward 6. Assistant Assessors in concurrence with this Board and having also chosen S. E. Allen of Ward 4. S. I. Leavuth of Ward 4. Nathan Prince of Ward 10. and James S. Sargent of Ward 11 as said Assessors in place of John C. Bucknam, James M. Stearns, James Jennie and Melanice Mitchell chosen by this Board, said action came up

Assistant

Assessors

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in concurrence: and the ballots having accordingly been taken
and counted by four Assistant Assessors it appeared that
Sam. L. Allen of Ward 4. and James S. Gargent of Ward 11. were
elected in concurrence. and this Board also elected, James M. New-
son of Ward 4. and James Dennis of Ward 10. in place of S. G. Barnum
and Nathan Fane chosen by the Common Council. Sent down
for concurrence.

Columbus

The Committee on the Public
Library to whom was referred a communication from Hon. J. M. Lin-
coln respecting a donation to Messrs. Alexander Totten and
a model of a monument to Christopher Columbus beg leave to Re-
port: That this copy of the original Model of a beautiful monu-
ment to Columbus in the city of his birth, and a work of art is
an acceptable offering to the Corporation, and an appropriate
ornament to our Public Library. There, surrounded by the many
marks and evidences of intellectual culture, it will excite the
curiosity and interest of our citizens and their children, and
lead them to cherish the memory of the Great Discoverer, to whom
the civilized world owes so much, and from which he receiv-
ed so little. Though now deceased, his native city of Genoa now
pays a debt of honor and gratitude to commemorate his genius
and daring enterprise. It is pleasant to recognize the courtesy
of Messrs. Totten in thus presenting to our City so valuable and
interesting a Memorial which, in its design and execution is
so worthy of careful and honorable preservation. The Committee
feel that the reception of this donation affords a fitting opportunity
of expressing our appreciation of the generous interest manifested
by Messrs. Totten in the establishment of our Public Library.
Nor do we deem it inappropriate at this time to recall the

testimony and commendation of this "ardent and enterprising
foreigner to John Robert C. Winthrop in his address at the lay- 171
ing of the corner stone of the public Library, whose "enthusiastic
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 zeal in the cause of intellectual and literary exchanges" has se-
cured for him an enduring fame. With these truly noble of reco-
nition, the committee recommend the passage of the accompa-
nying resolutions and orders. Respectfully submitted, C. S. Wilson,
Chairman. Resolved: That the City Council of the City of Boston
graciously accept the Model of the Monument to Christopher Colum-
bus received from Mons. Alexander Vallemare, and tender to him
their thanks for this renewed testimony of his interest in the intel-
lectual welfare of our City. Resolved: That the thanks of the City
Council be tendered to John Robert C. Winthrop and Edward Hicks,
Esq. for their efforts in obtaining this acceptable gift for our City.
Ordered: That the Model of the Monument referred to in the
preceding orders be placed in charge of the Trustees of the Public
Library, who are respectfully requested to locate it in some con-
spicuous position in the Library building. Read twice and passed,
Sent down for concurrence. March 28. Came up concurred. Approv-
ed by the Mayor. March 29, 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee Public Lands.
on Ordinances inquire into the expediency of making it the duty
of the Superintendent of Public Lands, whenever one lot or part
of a lot of land described on any plan of the City, and be con-
veyed by the City, to file a copy of such plan in the Registry of
Deeds unless such plan has been previously filed there.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor. March 29, 1861

March 13. 1861.
Public Garden
Pond

Ordered: That the plan of

the Pond in the Public Garden be & is modified as to alter the enlargement of the northern end by removing the point of land sitting into it in conformity with the accompanying plan, thereby making it more appropriate for a skating pond - provided the same can be done without expense to the City. See Plan marked March 13. 1861. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Franklin
Street

The resolve and order submit

led at the last meeting of the Board to widen Franklin Street by taking land of the President and heirs of Sherwood Lodge, and of the heirs of the late John A. Lowell, as be under the will of James A. May; the City Records, and Henry B. Case, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence April 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Board April 13. 1861.

Whipman
Horse
Railroads

Ordered: That Aldermen Amory,

Green and Clark be a committee to represent the City of Boston before a committee of the Legislature to whom was referred the petition of George A. Whipman and others, that this Board may be authorized to provide a system of fares and commutations for the different Horse Railroads, and to attend generally to the prayer of said petition. Read twice and passed.

Granite
sidewalks

Whereas the granite stone side

walks in front of schools numbered 134, 413, 415, 417, 419, 421, 423 and 425 in Franklin Street have worn down & much as to be some dangerous, it is hereby ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify Charles William Gardner, James A. May,

Justice, and John S. Brown, the owner of said State to wear them. 173
over the surface of said granite stone sidewalks in front of the March 25, 1861
respective estates which they own, and if not done within ten
days of the date of this order, then the Superintendent of Streets
is directed to cause said granite stone sidewalks to be rough
hammered and the expense thereof assessed against each
State.

On motion of Alderman Par- Village
menter the Board took from the table the order introduced by Street
him on the eleventh instant for the establishment of revised
rates for Village, South, Emerald, Union, Fillingham, and Mid-
dlesboro' Streets and on motion of the same Alderman the order
was recommitted to the Committee on Paving.

The order introduced at the Gravel
last meeting of the Board to authorize the Superintendent of
Streets to contract for the delivery of Beach Gravel, was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 26, 1861.

The Committee on Streets to Guild
whom was referred the petition of William H. Guild that a portion
of Blackstone Street may be discontinued near his estate, reported
that it is not expedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner, and
that therefore he have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The order submitted at the last Street
meeting of the Board for the collection of assessments for construc-
tion of a sewer in Athens Street between S. Street and the Millland
Railroad Bridge was read a second time and passed.

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Seventh
Street.

Tuscan
Street.

Wooden

Rail

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the collection of assessment for the construction of a sewer in Seventh, Eighth and 9. streets, was read a second time and passed.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the collection of assessments for construction of a sewer in Tuscan Street, was read a second time & passed.

Leave was granted to Frederick Marden to grub the following streets with gut water; Hudson Avenue from Essex Street to Railroad Bridge. Kingston Street, Lincoln Street, Birch Street, Hudson Street, and from Albany St. to Federal Street, Oak Street, South Street, Federal Street from Manning Street to Broad Street. Broad Street from Rich Street to Federal Street. Washington Avenue, Granite Street, Calverton Street, Pearl Street and Curve Street.

Leave was granted to Daniel Owen to grub the following streets with gut water. State Street from Washington to Commercial Street, Essex Street, Court Square, Washington Street from Dock Square to Milk Street, Commercial Street, Water Street, Central Street (old route), Kilby Street, Federal Street from Milk to Channing Street, Green Street from State to Milk Street, Bowdoin Square, Green Street, Lowell Street, Hanover Street, Commercial Street, Duck Lane Street, Broad Street, Causeway Street, Blind Street, Cedar Street, West Street, School Street, Elm Street, Cornhill Exchange Street, Middle Street, Haymarket Square, Beaver Street, Charleston Street, Broad Street from State Street to Rich Street, North Street, North Market Street, Newmarket from Dock Square, and Fanueil Hall Square.

Leave was granted to 175.

Samuel H. Jones to sprinkle the following streets with salt water. March 23, 1861.
Washington Street, from Pine Street to Union Park. Belmont Street
from Eliot to Waltham Street. Eliot Street. Common Street, Warren
Street. Beacant Street, from Belmont Street to Washington Street, Indi-
ana Street, Castle Street. Garfield Street. Hudson Avenue from the
road bridge to Waltham Street. Lure Street. Lure Street. Shawmut
Avenue to Union Park. Groton Street. Medford Street. Parker Street.
Pine Street. Church Street. Union Street. Waltham Street. France
Street. Dwight Street. Hanson Street, and Bradford Street.

Leave was granted to Benjamin 1861

min Jones to sprinkle the following streets with salt water. Charles
Street. Beacon Street. Pinckney Street. Chestnut Street. Mount Vernon
Street. West Cedar Street. Cambridge Street. Boylston Street. Arlington
Street. Beacant Street from Providence Street to Belmont Street. Sum-
mit Street from Eliot Street to School Street. Providence Street. Pinter
Street. West Street. Fayette Street. Park Street and Reverse Street.

Leave was granted to Josiah Smith

A. Smith to sprinkle the following streets with salt water; the
the streets south of Waltham Street except Washington Street
from Waltham Street to Union Park. Shawmut Avenue from
Waltham Street to Union Park, and Union Park Street.

Leave was granted to John Kelly Kelly

to sprinkle the following streets with salt water. Bath Charles
Street, Allen Street, Gibson Street, McLean Street, Chambers Street
Municipal Street, Temple Street, Howard Street, Portland Street, Wind

176 Street Harimac Street Gullway Street Union Street to Dock
March 25 1861 Square, Brighton Street. Archway Street.

Have was granted to
Narrow's to sprinkle the following streets with salt water, Com-
merce Street east end of Duke Street from Commercial Street down
but Street from India Street west India Street and Central Street.

Clark

Have was granted to Malachi
Clark to sprinkle the following streets with salt water: Washing-
ton Street from Mill to Pine Streets, Ireland Street from Washing-
ton Street to Albany Street - Campbell Street Franklin Street - Oak
Street Summer Street Commerce Street - Bedford Street Essex Street
High Street Purchase Street - Adams Street - Union Street - Bennett
Street Forward Street - Hollis Street - Warren Street - Green Street
Street from Mill to Summer Street - Twenty Street - City Hall, Kin-
throp Place, and La Grange Place.

Intelligence
Office

Have was granted to Joseph
need to keep an intelligence office at 161. Union Street on the
usual conditions.

Mina
Stock driver

In answer to the report of the
Committee on Licenses a license to drive a Hack was granted
to Paulin Cook (a Mina) - The stand to be assigned by the Super-
intendent of Hacks.

Brown

Ordered: That there be paid to
Brown and Beale the sum of six hundred and twenty one
and 3/40 Dollars for land taken to widen Hudson Avenue and
for all damages that may have been occasioned thereby upon
their giving to the City a deed for the same and an acquit-
tance and discharge for all damages, cost and expenses incurred.

quence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for paving, cut and widening streets. Read once.

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March 25. 1881

Ordered: That there be paid to

Randall

Abner Randall the sum of two hundred dollars, in full compensation for any and all claims for damages to his estate &c. in street caused by a change of grade of South and South Street upon his proving his title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, cost and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Burnside. Read once.

The Board of Land Commis-

Hobbs

sioners respectfully represent, that they sold to H. B. Hobbs, October 1859, a lot of land on "Union" corner of Springfield Street and numbering 89 on a plan recorded in Book of Plans, Folio 2, Page 149 in the office of the Superintendent of Public Lands, upon the express condition that the building erected on said lot should be used only as a dwelling-house. Mr. Hobbs afterwards petitioned the Board for the privilege of placing an Apothecary Shop in the basement of said building, which privilege was granted upon the express condition that the said Hobbs should present to the Board satisfactory evidence, in writing, that the residents of the vicinity were willing and desirous of its being placed there. This Mr. Hobbs failed to do, but went on and erected a building which he has not only occupied as a dwelling-house, but as three distinct stores, used for Apothecary, Grocery and Millinery purposes, which is in open violation of the conditions of sale. As the same thereby has become forfeited to the City, the Commissioners would request

178 the passage of the accompanying order. In the Commissioners,
Samuel Hetch, Chairman. Ordered: That the lot of land situated upon
the Southwesterly corner of Tremont and Springfield Streets, and numbered
only-nine (9) as represented on a Plan recorded with Plans of
City Land Sold, Book 2, page 149, in the office of the Superintendent
of Public Lands, be and the same is hereby declared to be for-
feited to the City of Boston, for a violation of the condition of sale
expressed in the agreement of sale to H. H. Hetch dated October
1st 1859 and that the Superintendent of Public Lands be and he is
hereby directed to take possession of the aforesaid lot in behalf
of and to the use of the City of Boston. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the
first day of April, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Baker,
Broadway

Petition of Ezra H. Baker, Samuel

G. Howe and eighteen hundred and eleven others for the exten-
sion of Broadway along East River channel to Henry Street. Referred
to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Spalding & Rogers 179.

to leave to give equestrian performances on the Public Garden for one week from July first next. Referred to the Committee on the Common and Licenses. April 1, 1861
Spalding

Petition for the appointment of

Appleton. Tison as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

Petition of Mark Morse & others Morse

that the Fifth Street - were be extended towards S. Street. Referred to the Committee on Powers

Petition of Hiram Smith for leave Smith

to move a wooden building from Merrimack Street through Prospect Street to Lyman Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of the Directors for Public Institutions.

to leave to occupy a portion of the Old Male Hospital at Deer Island for the purpose of a Piquette and Toner. Referred to the Committee on General Health.

Petition of Ezra Hawkes Jr to Hawkes

to be compensated for delay occasioned to him in the improvement of his leasehold estate on Bedford Street, by the action of the city in relation to the proposed widening of said Street, which was afterwards abandoned. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Towle W^o for leave Towle

to keep an Intelligence Office at 140 Court Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

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Petition of C. E. Prigg Jr for ap-

pointment as a Justice of Court. Referred to the Committee
on Licenses.

His Honor the Mayor submit-

Show
decease of

ted to the Board the following communication: To the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston. Gentlemen I deem it my duty to communicate to you the decease of our venerable fellow-citizen Samuel Shaw, late Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of this Commonwealth. The high and honorable official position he has held in our Municipality and in the State, and the rare ability he has exhibited in the discharge of his various duties for more than half a century, deservedly honored and respected in all his public and private relations during a long and useful life render an official tribute to his memory to the City Government exceedingly appropriate, and I believe it will be congenial to the universal sentiment of our fellow citizens. I shall therefore be gratified to unite with you in any public expression of respect you may deem it proper to adopt in reference to the death of one so justly distinguished for his eminent public services, and so worthy of this recognition of his virtues and merits as a citizen. Joseph M. Montman, Mayor. Read and thereupon Alderman Smory with some appropriate remarks submitted the following resolves. Resolved: That in the decease of the late Chief Justice Shaw this community has sustained the loss of one of its most distinguished ornaments and we would unite with all portions of the Commonwealth in expressions of respect appropriate to the high official rank which he occupied and to the place which he held in the esteem of his fellow citizens. Everywhere will be paid fitting tributes to his judicial attainments, wisdom and integrity. The

aid which he lent to the promotion of literature and science will be commemorated by the various organizations of which he was the honored associate. His valuable service in forming our City Government in the preparation of its charter, his participation for many successive years in its inauguration by administering the oath of office to its Chief Magistrate, and the cheerful assent with which he gave it his best counsel when this could be of use to his fellow-citizens, claim here an official acknowledgment. But while we gratefully recognize the extent and variety of his public services; while we do homage to a celebrity not unknown in other lands, it was the noble elements that composed his nature, his unswerving rectitude, generosity of purpose, enlightened patriotism, and the affectionate glow of his social intercourse that specially endeared him to the people of Massachusetts and give to this event for all of us the brilliancy of a personal bereavement. Resolved: That a copy of these eulogies be transmitted to his family, accompanied by an expression of our respectful and profound sympathy with them in their affliction; and that we request permission to attend his funeral obsequies. - The passage of the foregoing eulogies having been referred to Mr. J. M. Carpenter they were unanimously adopted.

On nomination by the Mayor,
Charles B. Rice, and Amos Lodge were appointed Special Police
Officers at Faneuil Hall Market.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor,
Charles A. Butler, S. A. Howe, Isgraham, Charles G. Brinkman &
John George were appointed Special Police Officers for duty in the
Internal Health Department.

Special
Police

April 1, 1861
Police

J. H. Cushman was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Old Colony Rail Road Station in this City.

Ballast

The Inspector in Chief of Ballast reported that during the last quarter he had received the sum of two hundred and seventy dollars and twenty eight and a half cents as fees for inspection of ballast. Read and sent down to the Common Council. Placed on file.

City
Physician

The City Physician submitted to the Board his report for the quarter ending the thirty first ultimo. Read and sent down. In common council. Placed on file.

Guy

Petition of Eben F. Guy, administrator of the estate of the late W. S. Mallory that the city would remunerate said estate for certain public documents and plans found in possession of said estate and supposed to belong to the City. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Taxes

The Committee on Taxes respectfully represent that the appropriation for Taxes is exhausted and that an additional appropriation of one thousand dollars will be needed to meet the payment of certain outstanding bills, which it is thought desirable and proper should be charged to the present financial year, which expires on the first day of next month. The Committee, Samuel W. Spring, Chairman. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. April 3 came up concurred.

Petition of Mary Ann Neat 183.

to be compensated for personal injuries sustained from an alleged April 1. 1861
deed in Charlestown Sted. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Neat
Sent down for concurrence. April 3^d Came up concurred.

Petition of the Massachusetts Mass. Anti

Anti Slavery Society to be compensated for damages sustained by them by reason of being prevented from using the Tremont Temple
which was hired for a public meeting on the 24th and 25th of Janu-
ary last. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for con-
currence. April 3^d Came up concurred.

Petition of Emily Wolcott Wolcott

for an abatement of taxes on real estate in Ward 4. Referred
to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for con-
currence. April 3^d Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the papers

in relation to the claim of the Assessors of 1860, for compensation
for extra services in preparing the State valuation for the City of
Boston, be taken from the files of last year and referred to the
Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence.
April 3 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 5. 1861.

Petitions of William F. Weld & Weld -

others - William B. Floyd and others, that the present incumbents
be re-elected as Inspectors of Ballot. Came up from the Common
Council. Read and placed on file.

The Common Council having

elected Abner A. Cooks and William G. Bullis as Ballot In-
spectors in place of Cornelius Sullivan and George W. Perkins

184. elected by this Board. Said action came up for concurrence and
April 1. 1861 the ballots having been taken and counted for two Bullast Inspectors
it appeared that said action was duly elected in concurrence.
This Board also chose Michael Scanlan as a Bullast Inspector
in place of William J. Sullivan chosen by the other branch. Sent
down for concurrence. April 3. Came up concurred.

Assistant
Inspectors

The Common Council having
elected James Dinnie & David L. as an Assistant Inspector in concurrence
with this Board: and having also elected P. J. Carruth of Ward
4. as an Assistant Inspector in place of James M. Stevens elected
to this Board. Said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots
having been taken and counted for an Assistant Inspector for
Ward 4. it appeared that said P. J. Carruth was duly elected
in concurrence.

Bills
to be paid

Ordered: That the following Bills
for materials or labor furnished by persons connected directly or
indirectly with the City Government, be paid, provided they are ap-
proved audited and allowed in the usual manner, viz: Moses
Clark three hundred and fifty two dollars and fifty five cents;
Joseph M. Ten one hundred and eighty four dollars & twenty
cents; John J. Ten twenty four dollars and twenty eight cents;
John J. Ten sixty seven dollars and fifty six cents;
C. H. George thirty dollars and twenty six cents, Becker and
Trustee twenty eight dollars and twenty six cents. Davis and
Roberts sixteen dollars and seventeen cents, and twelve dollars &
sixteen cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.
April 3. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 5. 1861

Ordered: That the Commit. 185

be on Ordinances be and they hereby are authorized to report April 1. 1861
in print an ordinance in relation to the Fire Department. A sect
in common Council. Came up for concurrence read and con
curred. Approved by the Mayor April 2. 1861. Department

The Committee on Claims, Alger
to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on Water on
the petition of Francis Alger, accompanied by an order to pay
said Alger the sum of six hundred and twenty five dollars
for certain water-pipes laid in Rochester Avenue in the year 1852,
have considered the same, and deeming the Cochituate Water
Board to be the proper arbiters of the claim, would respectfully
recommend that the whole matter be referred that Board. For
the Committee, Giles Rice Chairman. Read and accepted. Al-
derman Hatch moved to reconsider the foregoing vote, and the
Yeas and Nays being demanded on said motion they were taken
as follows. Yeas. Aldermen Amos, Hanson, Hatch, Fairmender,
Ray, Rich, Spinney, and Wilson 8. Nays. Aldermen Clark, Gibson,
Rice and Preston, 4. So said motion prevailed. The question
then being on the acceptance of said report. Alderman Amos
moved to refer the same to the Committee on Accounts. Alder-
man Hatch moved to add to that motion "instructions to pay
the same provided they find it to be due" and the Yeas and
Nays being demanded on this motion they were taken as follows.
Yeas. Aldermen Amos, Hatch, Fairmender, Ray and Wilson 5. Nays,
Aldermen Clark, Gibson, Hanson, Rice, Preston, Rich, Spinney, 7.
So said motion of Alderman Hatch did not prevail. The motion to
refer the report to the Committee on Accounts having also been

186. rejected. Said report was accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

April 1, 1861

April 18. Came up concurred.

Chambers

No person appearing to object to

Stable

the proposed construction of a sewer in Van Street and Chambers Street from Gerrall to Cullen Street, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Public

The Superintendent of Public

Lands

Lands submitted to the Board his report of lands sold during the quarter ending March 31. Said on the table and ordered to be printed.

Smith

Agreeable to assignment the

Boston & Maine

Railroad

Board resumed the consideration of the claim of Ebenezer Smith vs. the Boston and Maine Railroad Company for assessment of damages for land taken from him for the location of said Railroad in this city. The respondents appeared by their counsel J. F. Thomas and W. F. Todd, Esq., and the petitioner was represented by George H. Milne, Esq. The respondents filed an answer to the petitioner's claim denying that this Board has any jurisdiction in the matter owing to the lapse of time. After hearing both parties by their counsel an order was adopted as follows: Upon the petition of Ebenezer Smith praying this Board to estimate the damages occasioned to him, by the taking of a portion of his land on the western side of the Canal in the City of Boston, by the Boston and Maine Railroad Extension Company for the purpose of constructing and maintaining their railroad in said City, as in said petition presented to this Board the 15th day of June A.D. 1848 is more fully set forth. It appearing that due notice has been given by law to the Boston and Maine Railroad Extension Company, and now on his second petition presented to this Board the doerth

day of March 31. 1861 to the Boston and Maine Railroad also, 187.
as by law is required and that said Boston and Maine Rail April 1. 1861
Road has appeared and protested against and objected to any
further proceedings in the premises, as by their answer filed this
day with this Court in answer to said last named petition
will more fully appear. It is ordered That the damages occas-
ioned to said Petitioner by the taking of his land and the loca-
tion and construction of the said Railroad upon and over the
same be and the same are hereby estimated at the sum of one
dollar and that without prejudice to the right of either party in any
other proceedings in the Superior Court for the County of Suffolk
or any other Court.

Ordered: That the Committee Heights
in Ordinances consider the expediency of reporting an Ordinance & Measures
requiring the Staler of Height and Measures to keep a record of
the amount of money received from each person or persons to-
gether with the names of the several parties, a copy of said rec-
ord to be made to the City Council semi-annually. Passed in
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid
on the table on motion of Alderman Price.

The Committee on Institutions, Institutions
to whom was referred a communication from the Board of Direc- Rules
tors of Public Institutions transmitting a copy of the Rules and Regula-
tions for the Institutions, as adopted by them, have examined the rules and
would respectfully recommend their approval by the City Council, ex-
cepting those portions which prescribe the month of December as the
time for electing the officers of the Institutions, the Committee being of
the opinion that delay of the elections until May or June was ample

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time for the new members of the Board of Directors to become acquainted with the merits & demerits of incumbent officers. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order for the committee, in "Action. Chairman. Called: That the Rules and regulations for the Public Institution, as adopted by the Board of Directors, March 22, 1861, be and hereby are approved by the City Council, except so far as they prescribe the month of the year during which officers of the Institution shall be chosen." Read twice and amended by adding at the end except the provision on the fifteenth page, City Doc. 15, in relation to visitors to the House of Industry & Reformation. Said order as amended was then laid on the table.

Hobbs

The report and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board concerning the lot of land on the southeast corner of Summit and Springfield streets and sold to H. F. Hobbs forfeited to the city for breach of the conditions of sale and directing the Superintendent of Public Lands to take possession of the same, was read a second time and was laid upon the table.

Randall

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay to John Randall two hundred dollars for all goods damaged sustained by his store No. 2 in West Street, by reason of the change of grade in said street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor.
April 2, 1861.

men

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay to the city the sum of Six hundred and seventy one $\frac{3}{4}$ dollars for land taken to widen Harrison Avenue was read a second time and passed.

Approved by the Mayor, April 2, 1861.

189.

The Committee appointed April 1, 1861.

to examine the accounts of William Hunt as Treasurer of the Franklin Fund for the benefit of Young Married Mechanics having attended to that duty. Report: That they find the said Treasurer's (accounts) as heretofore submitted and made up to the thirty first day of December 1860, to be correct, from which it appears that the present value of said Fund is eight hundred and ninety two and thirty two $\frac{1}{100}$ dollars. Jona. Weston - Thomas P. Rich Committee. Read and accepted.

Franklin Fund

Ordered: That the Special

Committee having in charge the subject of the drainage of the Back Bay territory be authorized to present their report in print. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 2, 1861.

Back Bay

Agreeably to the report of

the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to William H. Pratt and others to give Theatrical performances at the National Theatre on the fourth instant.

Pratt

Samuel Temple was appointed

an Auctioneer at 45 Hanover Street.

Auctioneer

Leave was granted to D. J.

Maya to exhibit the Living Skeleton at 161 Hanover Street.

Maya

The Committee on Laying out

and widening streets, to whom was referred the petition of James W. Haverns and others for the widening of Indiana Street. Report: That after due examination of the facts in relation to the widening, they consider it inexpedient to take any action at the present time,

Haverns -
Indiana Street

190. and recommend the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the
April 1. 1861. Committee, Silas Pince, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Stearns.
Prince Street

The Committee on laying out
and widening streets to whom was referred the petition of Charles
Stearns and others, that Prince Street may be extended to Commercial
Street report, that the petitioners have been heard in the matter
and the Committee having fully examined the same, considered it
expedient, at the present time, to extend Prince Street, and recom-
mend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. In the Committee,
Silas Pince, Chairman. Read and accepted

City
Advertising

The Committee on Printing,
who were instructed to consider and report how many and what
pages it is expedient to the city to contract with printing the usual
city advertising for one year from Nov 1st 1861, be leave to rec-
ommend the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee
E. J. Wilson Chairman. Ordered: That such daily newspapers
in the City of Boston, as shall subscribe to a contract to do the us-
ual city advertising for one year from Nov 1st 1861, at the rate of
three hundred dollars per annum, be selected to do said ad-
vertising, and also that the Saturday Evening Gazette and Sat-
urday Evening Express, if they shall contract to do said adver-
tising at the rate of one hundred and fifty dollars per an-
num each, and the East Boston Ledger and Mattapan Regis-
ter, if they shall contract to do said advertising at the rate of
one hundred dollars per annum each, be selected to do the
same; said contracts to be signed at the office of the City Clerk.
Read once

lions to whom was referred the petition of the Directors for Public
 Institution for leave to expend for the purpose of the House of Industry
 in three thousand dollars appropriated for the House of Correction.
 have considered the same and report that inasmuch as the
 amount originally appropriated for the maintenance of the House
 of Industry was twenty five hundred dollars below the sum
 asked for by the Directors and as the amount now needed three
 thousand dollars will not be required for the House of Correction,
 the Committee recommend the transfer desired. For the Com-
 mittee John Weston, Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of Three
 thousand dollars be transferred from the appropriation for the House
 of Correction and which is not needed for that Institution and
 add the same to the appropriation for maintaining the House of
 Industry. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid
 to Charles G. Holbrook the sum of four hundred dollars in full
 compensation for any and all claims for damages, as tenant of
 No. 3 Shawmut Avenue, caused by a change of grade of Lower
 Street and Shawmut Avenue, upon his giving to the City an ac-
 quittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
 in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be
 charged to the appropriation for raising the grade of Lower Street. Read
 once.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be
 authorized to abate the assessment of fifty five dollars and thirty
 cents against the estate of Jesse Ald for constructing a side-
 walk in Thacher and North Margin Streets on account of
 her inability to pay the same. Read once.

April 1. 1861.

Appropriations
transferred

Holbrook

Ald

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the third day of April, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and Aldermen Amery, Pinney, Rich, Gilson, Hanson and Rugg.

Six traverse jurors were drawn for the second session of the Inferior Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the eighth day of April, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Weston.

Smith

Petition of J. H. Smith and others for the widening of Richmond Street between Salem and Hanover Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Millick wants to be 193

said damages occasioned to change of grade in London Street. April 2, 1861
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Millick

Petition of Thomas P. Knox and

others that the name of West Center Street be changed to Cliff
Street, and that said Street be numbered. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Knox

Petition of Lewis J. Bird & others

that E. Street may be graded from Boulevard to Eighth Street. Referred
to the Committee on Paving.

Bird.

Petition of Tuttle, Giffield & Co

that First and C. Streets at their junction may be graded. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Paving.

Tuttle

Petition of Thos. C. Brudie

and others that a Fire Carriage and apparatus be located
in Washington Village - and of several insurance companies of
this City in aid of the same. Referred to the Committee on the
Fire Department.

Brudie

Petition of R. Fletcher Ladd that

the Lindale Street Store may be extended. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Ladd

Petition of David A. Howell that

the water in the Back Bay may be lowered so as to allow the
cellars of houses adjacent to that territory. Referred to the Special
Committee on the Back Bay.

Howell

Back Bay

Petition of John Foster for the es-

tablishment of better drainage in Boylston Street. Referred to the
Special Committee on the Back Bay.

Foster

Boylston Street

April 8, 1861

Police

On nomination by the Mayor
Charles Whence, Aaron B. Willden, James C. Sanborn and Joseph C.
Slate were appointed Police Officers for this city with all the powers
of Constables except the power of serving and executing civil pro-
cess.

Leather

Measurer

On nomination by the Mayor
William Braden was appointed a Measurer of Upper Leather.

Special

Police

On nomination by the Mayor
Samy P. Hoff was appointed a Special Police Officer at Union
Building.

Fire

Department

On nomination by the Mayor, Frank
B. Lucas was appointed a Hoseman for Steam Fire Engine No. 1.

Fire

Department

Agreeably to the recom menda-
tion of the engineers of the Fire Department, the discharge of
William H. Cunningham from Steam Engine No. 1, was confirmed
by the Board.

Hart

Kington Street

Parker

Whereas I Rowland Hart has
given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on
Nos. 46 and 48 Kington Street, in the said city; and, in the
opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhab-
itants require that the said Street should be widened at the
place described in the said notice, it is therefore Resolved, That
due notice be given to the said Hart and to Messrs B.
Parker, Benjamin H. Parker, Mary C. Parker, George H. Parker and
Clark H. Parker, that the Board intend to widen the said Street
mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built up-
on as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street, and

that Monday, the 21st inst. at four o'clock, P.M., 1861
is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be
made thereto April 8. 1861

A remonstrance from the Phillips
School District Committee against the location of the new
Mar School House on West Center and Southw. Streets and praying
a discontinuance of the same. Referred in Common Council to
the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Phillips
School

Petition of Catherine Montgom-
ery to be paid for damages suffered by her while walking on the
sidewalk in Purchase Street. Referred in Common Council to the
Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Montgomery

Petition of John Pollard to be
paid for an Overcoat torn while he was visiting a Police Officer.
Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Claims. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Pollard

A resolve from the School Com-
mittee to the effect that it is expedient for the City Council to purchase
the vacant lot of land in the rear of the Winthrop School House. Re-
ferred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Instruction. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Winthrop
School House

The Common Council having
recommended to the Committee on Public Instruction the report and
order which passed this Board on the eleventh of March last
for the purchase of an estate on Adams Street, in front of the
Primrose School House there; and for a Loan of Six thousand five
hundred dollars to meet the expense thereof; said action came up

Adams Street
School House

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for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein.

April 8. 1861.

Galway

Steamer

Ordered: That Messrs McCarthy,

Levin and Sampson with such of the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to make such suitable arrangements, if any, as they may deem appropriate for the reception of the Steamer Hibernia of the Galway Line, which is shortly expected to arrive at this Port. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen. Tulch and Rich were joined. Approved by the Mayor, April 10. 1861.

Appropriations

A communication was received from the Auditors of Accounts stating that additions are needed to the appropriations for Incidentals - Fire Department - Firey Envo - Internal Health and Fainting. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. April 11. Came up concurred.

East Street

School House

The Committee on Public Instruc-

tion, to whom was referred the communication from the Committee on School Affairs, of the School Committee, stating the necessity of enlarging the East Street School House, have considered the matter and beg leave to Report: That the School House in East Street has long been one of the most crowded in the city, and its accommodations are in many respects very inferior. The facts in relation to the matter are fully and correctly stated in the accompanying communication from the School Committee and in view of them, the Committee on Public Instruction are unanimously in favor of enlarging the area of the School House, and of making all necessary alterations in the House.

They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying or- 147
ders for the Committee, Thomas B. Shaw, Jr. Chairman. Ordered: That April 8, 1861
the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are author-
ized to purchase the lot of land in East Street Place, owned by William
John and Daniel Donny, and containing about eleven hun-
dred square feet, for a sum not exceeding three thousand seven
hundred dollars, and to add the same to the City School House
lot in said Place; and also to make such alterations in the School
House in East Street Place as shall be approved by said commit-
tee and the Committee on Public Instruction, at an expense not
exceeding two thousand dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and
he hereby is authorized and directed to draw, under the direction
of the Committee on Finance, the sum of five thousand seven hun-
dred dollars, the same to be appropriated to the alterations of the
East Street Place School House. In Common Council. Read and re-
committed to the Committee on Public Instruction. Came up for
concurrence Read and concurred.

The order submitted to the Board on the first instant for the transfer of Three thousand dollars from
the appropriation for the House of Correction and add the same to
the appropriation for the House of Industry was read a second time
and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 11. Came up concur-
red. Approved by the Mayor, April 13, 1861.

The order submitted to the Board on the first instant, that such daily paper as shall
agree to do the City advertising for three hundred dollars per an-
num be selected to do said printing this year, also the Evening
Gazette and Saturday Evening Express for the sum of one hundred
and fifty dollars per annum, also the East Boston Advertiser and

148 the Mulligan Register for the sum of one hundred dollars per
April 8. 1861 annum was read a second time and passed. Sent down for
concurrence.

Laurence
& Bigelow
School District

The Committee on Public Instruction
to whom was referred the request of the School Committee of 1860,
for increased accommodations for the Primary Schools in the
Laurence and Bigelow Districts at North Boston have considered
the same, and beg leave to report: That the schools which require
accommodation are now kept in detached places, most of which
are hired by the City, and are in many respects inconvenient
and insufficient; and the room in the City School House which
are now occupied for primary schools will soon be required for
grammar scholars. There are thus some six or seven schools al-
ready demanding improved facilities, and there seems to be no
reason why they should not be afforded accommodations e-
qual to those of schools in other parts of the City. After careful
examination of the estate within the needs district suitable for
a school house site, the Committee, in concurrence with the School
Committee of Ward XII, have determined to recommend the pur-
chase of the central and well situated lot, corner of Fifth and
D. streets, the price at which it is offered being deemed fair
and reasonable. They therefore recommend the passage of the
accompanying order. For the Committee, Thomas C. Snow, Chair-
man. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be au-
thorized to purchase the lot of land corner of D. and Fifth Streets,
containing seven thousand five hundred square feet, and owned
by Amasa Guppy and Marcus S. Heywood, for a sum not exceeding
five thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars; and to erect
thereon a Primary School House according to Plan No. 5 in City Doc.

ment No 13 of 1860, at an expense not exceeding Nineteen thousand
two hundred and fifty dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he
hereby is directed to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on
Finance, the sum of ten thousand dollars, the same to be
appropriated to the erection of a Primary School House on the corner
of Fifth and S. Third. In Common Council. Read and recom-
mended to the Committee on Public Instruction. Came up for con-
currence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby instructed to abate nuisances
upon streets where the parties have been legally notified after
the expiration of time specified in said notice and without the
passage of an order of the Board of Aldermen, in such cases of emer-
gency as he may deem expedient for the health of the city. Sent
down for concurrence.

The Directors for the Public Institutions reported that the expenditures for said Institutions for
the last quarter were thirty one thousand five hundred forty two
dollars and nineteen cents. Read and sent down. By Common
Council. Placed on file.

The Superintendent of Health reported that during the last quarter the expenditures of his Depart-
ment during that time were thirty two thousand seven dol-
lars and sixty seven cents. and the receipts five thousand nine
hundred and twenty dollars and forty nine cents. Read and sent
down. By Common Council. Placed on file.

The Superintendent of Streets reported that during the last quarter the expenditures in his De-

200 paid were twenty six thousand three hundred forty four dollars & eight five cents and the receipt one thousand four hundred and seventeen dollars and sixty two cents. Read and sent down. To common council. Placed on file.

Ald.

The order submitted at the meeting of the Board on the first instant to abate the assessment of fifty three dollars and fifty cents and upon \$2500 for construction of a sidewalk in Tucker and North Margin Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 9. 1861.

Old Road
Sewer

Ordered: That the order which passed the Board of Aldermen January 5. 1861, establishing an apportionment for the construction of a sewer in Old Road and M. Street, be and the same is hereby declared null and void in consequence of an error having been discovered in said apportionment and that the Superintendent of Sewers be directed to present to this Board a new schedule and valuation for the purpose of establishing a new assessment for said sewer. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 9. 1861.

Whitlock

The order submitted to the Board on the first instant to pay Charles E. Whitlock four hundred dollars in full compensation for grade damages occasioned to his estate in Monument Avenue, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 9. 1861.

Second

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to reconstruct the sewer in Second Street between B Street and the Railroad Bridge at an expense of one hundred dollars the same

to be charged to the appropriation for sewers. Read twice and passed. 201.

Approved by the Mayor. April 9. 1861.

April 8. 1861.

Pursuant to the report of the Committee on Sinking leave was granted to Abram Smith to move a wooden building from Merimac Street through West Street to Lyman Street.

Smith

On petition of J. I. Bowditch, the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioner have leave to construct a sewer in Summer Street between Arch Street, and the estate of the petitioner at his own expense the work of constructing said sewer to be done to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of sewers, and on condition that no claim shall be made for exemption from any assessment which may hereafter be lawfully imposed for the construction of a sewer in Summer Street. Read and accepted.

Bowditch

Summer Street

On petition of Calvin G. Page for abatement of an assessment for construction of a sewer in Myrtle Street, the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

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Leave was granted to Table & Co to keep an Intelligence Office at 140 Court Street on the usual conditions.

Intelligence
Office

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses Appleton Tabor was appointed an Auctioneer at No 36 Washington Street.

Auctioneer

The Committee on Street to whom was referred the petition of William Pope and others that Garland Street may be extended, reported that they have heard the facts and circumstances stated by the owners of the land which would be taken, and have

Pope

Garland Street.

202. considered the matter and they find that it is inexpedient to
April 8, 1861. stand said that under existing circumstances. Read & accepted

Coal

Higher

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses & S. Judge, it was appointed a Higher of Coal in this City.

Commercial

Steel

Stairs

The Superintendent of Stairs submitted to this Board schedule of estimates for the construction of Stairs in Commercial Street between Fied and Lewis Streets - and between Richmond and Lewis Streets. Referred to the Committee on Stairs.

Tenant

Officers

The Tenant Officers for the Northern, Central and Southern Districts submitted their reports for the last quarter. Read and placed on file.

Police

The Chief of Police submitted to the Board the report of that Department for the quarter ending March 31st. Read and placed on file.

Fort Hill

Ordered: That the Committee on the Common and Public Squares be authorized to contract for the repair of the fence round the Park on Fort Hill, and to make there such other improvements as they deem expedient. Read once.

Essex Street

Barry

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Essex Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the Estate of Thomas Barry, bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of Essex Street, there measuring twelve feet; Northwardly by

land of the said John of Thomas Barry, four feet and $\frac{1}{2}$; South = 203.
westwardly by the present line of Essex Street twelve feet; and South April 8. 1861.
westwardly to land formerly taken of C. McCarthy to widen said
street, five feet and $\frac{1}{2}$; containing fifty eight square feet and $\frac{1}{2}$,
more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention
of this Board to take the said parcel of land, for the purpose aforesaid,
as appears by the return herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered,
That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby
is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, ac-
cording to a plan of the said widening made by James Glavin,
City Engineer, dated April 8th 1861, and deposited in the office of the
said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that
the expense of widening the said Essex Street, as aforesaid, will
amount to one hundred and seventy five dollars: which sum
together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or
discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year,
does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That Edward F. Haynes

Knowlton of Framingham, in the County of Middlesex and Com-
monwealth of Massachusetts, be and he is authorized, in the
name and behalf of the City of Boston, to enter upon and into the
land and premises described in a certain deed of mortgage, given
by Nathan Haynes, of Framingham aforesaid, to said City of Boston,
dated September 15, 1856, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds, for
the Southern District, in said County of Middlesex, Lit. 805 fol. 80,
for a breach of the condition of said deed of mortgage, to the said
Haynes, the mortgage, and for the purpose of foreclosing the right to
redeem the same. Read once.

April 8, 1860 Knowlton, of Framingham, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, be and he is authorized, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to enter upon and into the land and premises described in a certain deed of mortgage, given by James F. Hammond and Ezra L. Howe, of Harvard, in said County of Middlesex, to said City of Boston, dated April 1, 1855, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Southern District, in said County of Middlesex, Lit. 713, fol. 21, for a breach of the condition of said deed of mortgage, by the said Hammond and Howe, the mortgagors, and for the purpose of perfecting the right to redeem the same. Read once.

Hanchett

Ordered: That Edward F. Knowl-

ton, of Framingham, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, be and he is authorized, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to enter upon and into the land and premises described in a certain deed of mortgage, given to F. S. Hanchett, of Natick, in said County of Middlesex, to said City of Boston, dated October 1, 1856, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Southern District, in said County of Middlesex, Lit. 776, fol. 186, for a breach of the condition of said deed of mortgage to the said Hanchett, the mortgagor, and for the purpose of perfecting the right to redeem the same. Read once.

Bent

Ordered: That Edward F. Knowlton,

of Framingham, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, be and he is authorized, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to enter upon and into the land and premises described in a certain deed of mortgage given to F. S. Bent,

of Mayland, in said County of Middlesex, to said City of Boston, 205.
dated October 1, 1856, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds, for the April 8, 1861.
Southern District, in said County of Middlesex, Lit. 798, et. 593, for a
breach of the conditions of said deed of mortgage, to the said Lent, the
mortgagee, and for the purpose of foreclosing the right to redeem the
same. Read once.

Whereas, it appears to this Board Chambers
that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer in Chambers and Green
and Green Streets, and that public notice of such intention has Streets
been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers
be and he is hereby directed to construct a Common Sewer in said
Chambers and Green Streets, and to report a schedule of the expense
thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
dermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the
fifteenth day of April, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of J. J. Carranagh Carranagh
for leave to move a wooden building from Ireland Street, over Bed-

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April 15. 1861. out Steel Bridge to Washington Village. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Meyer. Petition of Borchart Meyer for leave to open a canal driveway on Washington Street at corner of Eliot Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Gaflin. Petition of William Gaflin & Co. that Congress Street may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Sargent. Petition of John Sargent to be paid for damage caused by change of grade in Castle and Gardiner Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Reed. Petition of Samuel W. Reed and others that edgestones may be set in Seventh Street between G. and H. Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Kingsbury. Petition of W. C. Kingsbury and others that Groton Street may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Suffolk Railroad. Petition of the Suffolk Railroad Company for leave to extend their location in this City by entering upon and running over the track of the Metropolitan Railroad Company north of Knabland, Eliot & Bayston Streets; and to construct curve tracks in Hancover and Cambridge Streets; also to extend their track in Fleet Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Broadway Railroad. Petition of the Broadway Railroad Company for leave to extend its location in this City by running through Summer and Winter a Bridge and West

Street, to Tremont Street. thence are the tracks of the Metropolitan
Rail Road in Tremont, Cornhill and Washington Street to Beach
Street and in Essex, Harrison Avenue, Beach Street to Federal
Street. Referred to the Committee on Faring.

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Petition of Nathaniel J. Brudlee
Brudlee and others for an improved system of drainage in the
Back Bay. Referred to the Committee on the Back Bay.

Petition of F. Peaslee for leave
to exhibit a Menagerie on the Public Garden June 5. 6. and 7.
Referred to the Committee on Common and Licenses

Peaslee

Petition of Lewis G. Parker for
leave to exhibit a Telescope on Boston Common. Referred to the
Committee on Common and Licenses.

Parker

Petition of David P. Matthews
He for leave to run a line of coaches from Winthrop and East
Boston to Summer Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Matthews.

Petition of N. H. Nelson and
others that a nuisance occasioned by the transportation of de-
cayed bones through South and Fifth Street, may be abated. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Internal Health

Nelson

Petition of Charles Alford for
leave to construct a drain to the Southbury Street sewer from Estate
No 115, on said street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

Alford

Petition of James M. Beck that
the Devonshire Street Sewer may be extended across the Square.

Beck

208. and into Otis Place. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

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Fifty

Associates

Petition of the Fifty Associates to be paid for land taken to widen Franklin St. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Whalan

Petition of Daniel Whalan and others that Humbus Street be laid out as a public highway. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Sargent

Communication of Horace B. Sargent relative to the recent widening of Franklin Street, where it is alleged H. M. Sargent has the fee of an estate. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Bailey

Petition of M. H. Bailey that Portland Street be widened from Gullway to Hancock Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Jacobs

Petition of David H. Jacobs and others that the widening of Springfield Street may be completed. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Police

The Mayor nominated to the Board the following Police Officers for the City of Boston, with all the powers of constables except the power of serving and executing civil process:— L. C. Gibbon, Daniel L. Sewell, George C. Leicester, E. H. Whiting and Henry L. Gurney. On motion of Alderman Amory the nomination of Henry L. Gurney was laid on the table. The nominations of the other persons above named were approved by the Board.

Straw

Inspector

On nomination by the Mayor Frank H. Barnes was appointed a master and inspector of the Old Straw.

On nomination by the 209.
Jura. William B. Feltner and J. A. Southworth were appointed April 15 1861
Consulter of this City.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a portion of Court Square adjoining the easterly end of the Court House, should be discontinued, it is therefore Resolved, that public notice be given that this Board intend to discontinue as a public way so much of Court Square as the proposed extension of the Court House may require, to wit: nine hundred and fifty eight square feet more or less, and that Monday the twenty ninth day of April instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing and objections which may be made thereto.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Kingston Street by taking land of J. A. Feltner, H. B. Parker and others, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

The Superintendent of Sewers submitted to the Board a revised schedule of assessments for construction of Sewers in the Old Road and M. Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Luther A. Ham to be indemnified the expense of a lawsuit brought against him on discharge of his duty as a Police Officer on October 18th inst. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred.

Petition of James Hovee to be paid for damages done to his Horse and Chaise at the corner of Purchase Street.

210 and Federal Streets. Referred in Common Council to the Com-
April 15, 1861 mittee on Claims. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Police Station

District No 3

The Committee on Public Build-
ings, who were directed to consider and report upon the expediency
of erecting a new Police Station for District No 3, would respect-
fully report. That in view of the insufficient and inconvenient
accommodations of the house in Everett Street, now used as a
Station for the Police of District No 3, the Committee have devoted
considerable time and attention to the matter of selecting a site
for a new house which should afford the required facilities and
be at the same time located in a central and otherwise
favorable position. Of the several lots which they have had
in view none seemed to combine so many desirable requisites,
being purchasable at a reasonable price, as one at the west
side of My Street, near Cambridge Street which they respectfully
recommend the City Council to purchase. For the Committee, Mr.
Foster, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public
Buildings be and they are authorized to purchase a lot
of land on the west side of My Street near Cambridge Street
owned by Anna Bennett and containing six thousand one
hundred and thirty six square feet, for a sum not exceeding
eleven thousand dollars, the same to be used as a site for a
Police Station House. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he
he is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Commit-
tee on Finance the sum of eleven thousand dollars, the same to
be appropriated to the purchase of a lot of land on My Street. In
Common Council. Recommended with instructions for the committee
to report the cost of the building and land. Came up for con-

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curance. Read and this Board concurred in said recommitment.

ment with this amendment, at a meeting with instructions to consider, in the connection, the Old Smith School House as a location for a Police Station. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred.

Petition of Moritz Hofman for

leave to print the laws and orders of the City in the German Paper published by him. Referred to the Committee on Printing. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Public Build-

ings to whom was referred a communication from the Phillips School District Committee, expressing their objections to the site selected for a new School-house for the Phillips District, beg leave to report. That they have made personal examination of the premises, and have given to the School Committee from the District of the Western part of the City a full hearing as well as to other citizens who felt sufficient interest in the matter to come before the Committee with an expression of their views. There seems to be a strong and almost unanimous feeling, of opposition to the site selected by the City Council last year, and of favor toward the old location. Without expressing an opinion upon the respective merits of the two sites, the Committee deem it proper to say that if the policy lately adopted in so many cases, at the suggestion of the School Committee, of enlarging the areas of light and air for the School-houses, is to be carried out, it will be necessary to purchase the estate adjoining the new site (near Mr. James Church) at an expense of twenty thousand dollars. Taking that fact into consideration, the Committee simply wish to present the following estimates of the

Hofman

Phillips
School House

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relative expense of proceeding on the new lot and of expending
operation there and building a new house on the old site; leaving
the city council to take such action as it shall see fit. The cost of
the Southac Street lot was

\$20,750

The cost of the Church estate will be

20,000

The building will cost

52,000

Total expense on Southac Street

\$ 100,750

The cost of additional land on Pinckney and West Centre Streets
will be

\$29,000

The old lot is worth, say

15,000

The loss on the new site will be

12,000

The cost of a new building

52,000

The loss on the contract, by changing, will be

3,000

Total expense on Pinckney and West Centre Streets,

\$111,000

All which is respectfully submitted. In the committee, John: Weston,
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 18.
Same up concurred.

Drinking
Fountains

The Committee on the Eastern

Division (of the Water Works) to whom was referred a communica-
tion from the City Council, with regard to placing Drinking Fountains
in the streets of the City, respectfully submit the following Report:
It is the unanimous opinion of the Committee, that the Water
Board have not the power to place Drinking Fountains in the streets,
and if they had that power, they do not for many reasons think it
would be judicious. First. It would greatly increase the already ex-
travagant waste of water. Second. The cost of the fountain, iron
piping, supply and drain pipe, &c. will not be less than fifty dollars
each. Third. If placed in the City proper, they will also have to be placed
in South and East Boston, and on the wharves. And occupation of

houses and stores in their vicinity, who do not use a large quantity of 213.
water, would be likely to get their supply from them. Even if (as has been April 15. 1861
suggested) they were so arranged that a pipe or one large reservoir
not be placed under the curb, yet water could easily be drawn from
them by the use of a small hose, and thereby avoid paying for it
which would reduce the receipts. Fourth - They would have to be placed
inside the curb stone to protect them from damage by vehicles passing
in the street. And then they would occupy, would obstruct the passing
on our now too narrow sidewalks; and the sidewalk around them
would be continually wet, and in frosty weather would be dangerous,
and in case of accident therefrom the City would probably be liable.
The Committee are also of opinion that many would object to have
them placed in front of their premises, as they would be consider-
ed by them a nuisance. They would therefore recommend that
the communication be returned to the City Council with these ob-
jections. For the Committee, George P. French, Chairman. A true copy,
Attest, Saml A. Dyer, Clerk to the Board. Read and sent down in com-
mon Council. Placed on file.

Ordered: That the Committee
on Ordinances consider and report upon the expediency of amend-
ing the existing ordinances in relation to the assessment and collec-
tion of taxes. That the compensation to be received by the Sur-
veyor and Assistant Assessors may be determined by the City Council. Sent
down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred. Approved by
the Mayor April 19. 1861.

Office of the Board of Directors for
Public Institutions, To the Honorable City Council: It is meeting of
the Board held this day, the Rules and Regulations for the several
institutions submitted for your approval Feb. 27. 1861, were amended

Institutions.
Public

24. as follows, viz: in the first line of the last paragraph on the fifteenth page of the printed Rule amend by inserting after the word "Institution, the words 'except members of the City Council and the Inspector of Prisons for the County of Suffolk.'" also in the same paragraph at the fourth line after the words "City Council" insert the words "and the Inspector of Prisons for the County of Suffolk." In all cases, providing for the time of electing officers, except for the Superintendent of the Lunatic Hospital, amend by striking out the word "December," and inserting the words "April or May." The foregoing amendments are herewith most respectfully submitted for your approval. For vote of the Board. Read and passed. Read and the said regulations, with the above amendments incorporated therein, were approved by the Board. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 19, 1861.

Johnson

Remonstrance of Ebenezer Johnson and others against the location of the New Phillips School House in Southac Street. Read and sent down.

Phillips
School

Ordered: That all further work under the contract for building the new School House on Southac Street be suspended from and after this date and that the subject of location of this School House be referred to the Committee on Public Instruction and Public Buildings with a request to recommend a change of the location if they deem it expedient. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 19, 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee 215.

on Ordinances be requested to consider and report on the expediency of amending the Ordinance in relation to Fenui. The Market as to provide for the appointment of a Mayor for said Market by the Mayor and Aldermen and his communication to the City Council. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 19. 1861.

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Lulling and Butler for abatement of taxes have considered the same, and would respectfully recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John F. Rau, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred.

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Jane R. Goodnow for abatement of taxes, have considered the same and beg leave to Report: That the petition of Mrs. Goodnow is based upon the fact that the larger part of her property will fall to the City at her death; but as the taxes on her personal estate have already been abated, and it is understood that she receives a considerable income from both the personal and real estates, the Committee do not feel justified in recommending the abatement asked. They therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John F. Rau, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred.

The Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of Emily Wolcott for abatement of taxes on her house in Fenui. That have

216 considered the same and was to recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. In the Committee, John F. Hay, chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence April 18. Came up concurred.

Military
Hall

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings consider the expediency of erecting a building for a Military Hall and other city uses in the Franklin School House lot on Washington Street. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 16. 1861.

Haynes

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing Edward T. Knowlton to enter upon and foreclose in behalf of the City the mortgaged land of Nathan Haynes of Birmingham for breach of condition was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 19. 1861. (See May 6.)

Finchell

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing Edward T. Knowlton to enter upon land described in mortgage to City by P. F. Finchell for breach of condition thereof was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 19. 1861. (See May 6.)

Hammond

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing Edward T. Knowlton to enter upon the land described in a mortgage given to James A. Hammond and Ezra S. Howe of Hawland to the City of Boston for breach of condition thereof was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor.

April 19. 1861. (See May 6/)

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The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing Edward S. Thornton to enter upon land described in a mortgage from him to City of Boston in breach of the condition thereof, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence April 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 19. 1861. (See May 6/)

Bent

The Joint Special Committee ap-

Salaries

pointed to prepare and report a salary bill for the current year, were attended to that duty and to leave to recommend the passage of the accompanying order to the committee. Thomas F.

Lick, Chairman. In order establishing the Salaries of the Officers of the City of Boston, and the County of Suffolk, for the year 1861-

62. Ordered, By the Board of Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston in City Council assembled, as follows: The

Salaries of the several City and County Officers, for the year beginning on the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred

and sixty one, shall be as herein mentioned, to be paid quarterly, unless herein otherwise ordered. Section 1. The salary of

the Mayor shall be as fixed by the Convention of the City Council, on the 12th day of December, 1857, viz: at the rate of five thousand

and dollars per annum, commencing with the first Monday of January last. Sec. 2. The salary of the City Treasurer shall be

at the rate of three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars per annum, in performing the duties of City and County Treasurer

and collector; and there shall be allowed him the sum of six thousand five hundred dollars per annum, to be paid his

clerk; and he shall account for all fees, moneys, and commissions which he shall receive in said capacity. Sec. 3. The salary of the

218. City Engineer shall be at the rate of twenty eight hundred dollars
per annum. The salary of the Assistant Engineer shall be at the
rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 4. The salary of
the City Solicitor shall be at the rate of four thousand dollars per
annum, it being understood that he shall, out of the said
salary, retain all counsel necessary for the professional service
of the City to which he cannot give his personal attention, unless
otherwise ordered by the Committee on Claims. He shall be allowed,
for clerk hire and his office expenses, the sum of twelve hun-
dred dollars per annum. Sect. 5. The salary of the Auditor of
Accounts shall be at the rate of twenty five hundred dollars per
annum; and he shall be allowed the sum of two thousand
five hundred dollars per annum, to be paid to two permanent
clerks; and he shall account to said sum of money received by
him in said capacity. Sect. 6. The salary of the City Clerk shall be
at the rate of twenty five hundred dollars per annum; and he
shall be allowed the further sum of twenty ^A six hundred dollars to
be paid to his assistant clerks, one of whom shall be required
to prepare the annual voting list, and he shall account to all
fees for recording mortgages of personal property, and to all other
sums of money received in his official capacity. Sect. 7. The
salary of the Clerk of the Common Council shall be at the rate
of thirteen hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 8. There shall be
paid to a clerk, who shall act as Secretary to any Joint Stand-
ing or Special Committee of the City Council, when requested to
do so, and perform such clerical duties as may be required of
him by the Mayor or Aldermen, at the rate of twelve hundred
dollars per annum. Sect. 9. The salary of the City Registrar shall
be at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and he

shall be allowed eight hundred and fifty dollars per annum, to 219.
be paid his principal clerk, and one hundred and fifty dollars ^{per} annum for an assistant clerk; and he shall account to the
city for all fees for entering and publishing intentions of marriage,
and for interments of the dead; and for his Assistant Registrar
he shall be paid a sum not exceeding ten cents for information
furnished concerning each birth. Sect. 10. The salary of the State
Registrar shall be at the rate of seven hundred dollars per an-
num. Sect. 11. The salary of the Harbor Master shall be at the rate
of one thousand dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed
the sum of ten hundred dollars, to be paid to two Boatmen and the further
sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to be paid for the rent of
office and boat-horse unless furnished to the city. Sect. 12. The sal-
ary of the Librarian of the Public Library shall be at the rate of
fifteen hundred dollars per annum [Sect. ^B 13. The salary of the City
Physician shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum,
and in addition to his present duties, he shall be required to per-
form such services at the Jail locks or lock-ups as may be nec-
essary.] Sect. 14. The salary of the Port Physician shall be at the
rate of one thousand dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed
sufficient house-room, free of rent, to himself, his family, and three
students.] Sect. 15. The salary of the Messenger of the City Coun-
cil shall be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum.
The salary of the Assistant Messenger shall be at the rate of
five hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 16. There shall be paid to
a Porter, whose duty it shall be to make all the fires and do
all the cleaning necessary in the City Hall, the sum of seven
hundred and fifty dollars per annum; and there shall be paid
to a Porter, whose duty it shall be to make all the fires and do

220 all the cleaning necessary in the City Building (so called) the
April 15. 1861 sum of two hundred dollars per annum; the whole to be done to
the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Public Buildings. Sect. 17.
The salary of the Chief of Police shall be at the rate of two
thousand two hundred dollars per annum. The salary of the
Deputy shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per an-
num. The salary of the Clerk of the Police Department shall be
at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, payable month-
ly. The salary of the Captains of Police shall be at the rate of
three dollars per day payable monthly. The salary of the Lieutenants
of Police shall be at the rate of two dollars and fifty cents per day,
payable monthly. ^D The salary of the Captain of the Detective Office
of the Police shall be three dollars per day, payable monthly. ^S The sal-
ary of the officers of this force shall be two dollars and ^E fifty cents per
day, payable monthly. The salary of the officers of the lock up un-
der the Court House shall be at the rate of two dollars and fifty
cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Superintendent
of Hacks and Carriages will be at the rate of two dollars and
fifty cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Superin-
tendent of Trucks and Wagons shall be at the rate of two dollars
and fifty cents per day, payable monthly. The salary of the Saw
and Stone Criers shall be at the rate of two dollars per day, pay-
able monthly. Sect. 18. The salary of each of the officers appointed
by the Mayor and Aldermen to take charge of Juvenile and Va-
grant children, shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars per an-
num. All fees received by the officers mentioned in this and the preceding
section, for attendance as witnesses or any other service, shall be returned
by the officer paying the same to the City Treasurer, who may
deduct the amount thereof from their salaries as herein before

ing the same. Sec. 19. The salary of the Superintendent of
the Public Library shall be at the rate of two thousand dol-
lars per annum. Sec. 20. The salary of the Superintendent of
Common Sewers shall be at the rate of thirteen hundred dol-
lars per annum; and he shall act as secretary to the Committee on
Sewers and Drains; and he shall be allowed to hire, at the expense
of the City, a horse and chaise, provided the bills for the same be
approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Sewers and Drains;
but the amount shall not exceed two hundred dollars per annum.
The salary of the Superintendent of Streets shall be at the rate
of eighteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as
secretary to the Committee on Sewing; and the Committee on Sew-
ing shall have the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise,
at the expense of the City, and have the same kept at the City Stables,
for which they shall approve the bills. Sec. 21. The salary of the
Superintendent of Public Buildings shall be at the rate of fif-
teen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secre-
tary to the Committee on Public Buildings, and he shall be allow-
ed to hire, at the expense of the City, a horse and chaise, provid-
ed the bills for the same be approved by the Chairman of the
Committee on Public Buildings; but the amount shall not ex-
ceed two hundred dollars per annum. Sec. 22. The salary of the
Superintendent of Public Lands shall be at the rate of fifteen
hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary
to the Commissioners on Public Lands. Sec. 23. The salary of the
Superintendent of Health shall be at the rate of seventeen hun-
dred dollars per annum. And the Committee on Internal Health
shall have the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise
at the expense of the City, and have the same kept at the City Stables.

222. The salary of the Assistant shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, and he shall account for all sums of money received by him as fees, in connection with his office. And he shall also act as Secretary to the Committee on Internal Health. Sect. 25. The salary of the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall account for all sums of money received by him in his official capacity. The salary of the Deputy Superintendent shall be at the rate of nine hundred and fifty dollars per annum. Sect. 26. The salary of the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall shall be at the rate of three hundred dollars per annum. He shall be allowed the sum of one hundred dollars per annum, to be paid to an assistant, and he shall account for and pay over all sums of money received by him for the city in his official capacity. Sect. 27. The salary of the Superintendent of Lamps shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed the sum of two hundred dollars per annum, to be paid a clerk, which sum shall in full for any service he may render in the delivery of oil in that department. Sect. 28. The salary of the Inspector of Milk shall be at the rate of eight hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed the further sum of one hundred dollars per annum for office expenses. Sect. 29. The salary of the Superintendent of the Mount Vernon Avenue Bridge shall be at the rate of thirteen hundred dollars per annum, which salary shall be in full for his services and for all and any assistants he may employ. Sect. 30. The salary of the Superintendent of the Federal Street Bridge shall be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed the use of the shop on said bridge and ice, and a house at the city expense, for the purpose of storing

and during the day, the said compensation and privilege to 223.
be in full for his services and the services of such assistants as he April 15. 1861.
may employ. Sect. 31. The salary of the Superintendent of the Faneuil
Street Bridge shall be at the rate of seven hundred dollars per an-
num, and he shall be allowed the use of the house on said bridge,
rent free, the said compensation and privilege to be in full for service
of himself and assistants. Sect. 32. The salary of the Superin-
tendent of the Meridian Street Bridge shall be at the rate of five
hundred dollars per annum, the same to be in full for his services
and the services of such assistants as he may employ. Sect. 33. The
salary of the Superintendent of the Chelsea Street Bridge shall be at
the rate of two hundred dollars per annum, the same to be in full for
his services and the services of such assistants as he may employ.
Sect. 34. The salary of the Superintendent of the Parks shall be
at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 35. The
salary of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department shall be at
the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum, that of the As-
sistant Engineers shall be at the rate of two hundred and fifty
dollars each per annum; that of the Secretary of the Board of En-
gineers shall be at the rate of eight hundred dollars per an-
num, which shall be in full payment for all the services which
may be required of him by the Mayor and Aldermen, the Chief
Engineer, and the Board of Engineers. The Firemen of the respec-
tive Hook and Ladder Companies, shall be paid at the rate of
one hundred and fifty dollars each per annum, except the
Fireman of the East Boston Company, who shall receive at the
rate of one hundred dollars per annum. The Assistant Firemen,
Clerks, Ratemen, and Hemen, shall be paid at the rate of one
hundred and twenty five dollars each per annum, except the

224. Assistant Foreman, Clerk, Stokers, and Men of the East Boston

April 15. 1861. Company, who shall be paid at the rate of Seventy five dollars each, per annum. The Stewards of said Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hundred and twenty five dollars each, per annum, except the Steward of the East Boston Company, who shall be paid at the rate of Seventy five dollars each, per annum. All other members of said Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hundred dollars each, per annum, except the members of the East Boston Company, who shall be paid at the rate of fifty dollars each per annum. The men employed upon the Steam Fire Engines shall be paid at the following rates:—Engineers, sixty dollars per month. Foremen and Drivers, fifty dollars per month. Foremen, of the Fire in the City proper, one hundred and fifty dollars per annum. Hosemen in City proper, one hundred and twenty five dollars per annum. Foremen, in East and South Boston, one hundred dollars per annum. Hosemen, in East and South Boston, seventy five dollars per annum. The men employed upon the Horse Fire Companies shall be paid at the following rates:—Drivers fifty dollars per month. Foremen in City proper, one hundred and fifty dollars per annum. Hosemen in City proper, one hundred and twenty five dollars per annum. Foremen in East and South Boston, and of Fire Companies in Northampton Street, one hundred dollars per annum. Hosemen, in East and South Boston, and of Fire Company in Northampton Street, seventy five dollars per annum. Sect. 36. The salary of the Superintendent of the Boston Insane Hospital shall be at the rate of fifteen hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed sufficient house room, fuel of coal, and board for himself and his family in said Hospital, which compensation and privileges shall be in full for

his services as Superintendent of said Hospital, and as a Physician to all the Public Institutions at South Boston. Sect. 37. The salary of the Master of the House of Correction shall be at the rate of thirteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed sufficient house-room in said building, fuel, and board for himself and his family; but no other fees or perquisites shall be allowed him. Sect. 38. The salary of each of the Principal Assessors shall be at the rate of sixteen hundred dollars per annum, including the allowance provided for by the General Statutes of the Commonwealth, and there shall be allowed this Department the further sum of forty eight hundred dollars, to be paid for Clerk hire. The Assistant Assessors shall be allowed three dollars for each and every day which they shall actually devote to the service, but no pay shall be allowed for visiting apartments. The salary of the Per Diem Assessors shall be at the rate of four dollars for each and every day which they shall severally devote to the service on street duty. The number of said days' service of the Assistant Assessors and Per Diem Assessors shall be certified, according to the Ordinance. Sect. 39. The salaries of the Assistant Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the Assistant Clerk of the Superior Court for civil business, shall be paid at the rates established by statute, to wit: To the Assistant Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court fifteen hundred dollars per annum. To the Assistant Clerk of the Superior Court for civil business, eighteen hundred dollars per annum. And, that whenever any person in the employ of the city shall demand payment for his salary, or any part thereof, it shall be the duty of the Auditor and City Treasurer to deduct therefrom any and all sums due from such Officer to the City. And on the

April 15, 1861.

Census

Ordered: That Messrs Jones, Stockwell and Edmands with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee with authority to make arrangements for the preparation of a Statistical View of Boston upon the general plan adopted by General Shattuck in the year 1845: provided that the expense to the City for preparing and superintending the printing of the work shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars and that the work shall be completed by the first of January, 1862; the same to be charged to the appropriation for incidental expense and Miscellaneous Items. Passed in common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and on motion of Alderman Rice laid on the table.

Lindall Street

Jewer

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to extend the Common Sewer in Lindall Street, so as to accommodate the estate of R. Fletcher Ladd, as asked for in his petition, he agreeing to pay three fourths the cost of the same. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 16, 1861.

Flag on

Lindall Street

Whereas, by Proclamation of the President of the United States, this day issued, it appears that the authority of the Government of the United States is opposed and resisted with armed force by the inhabitants of some portions of the country, therefore Resolved: That as an expression of our faith in the Union and of our determination to uphold the honor of that flag under whose folds we have achieved what has been great and glorious in our history, the Committee on Council shall be requested to cause the American flag to be hoisted upon

the staff over Fenwick Hall every day, except Sunday, until the
curve read. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Board April 13 1861
April 16, 1861

The following communication
was received from the Governor of the Commonwealth, viz: Com-
monwealth of Massachusetts. Executive Department. Council Cham-
ber. Boston. April 10th 1861. Sir: In conformity to requisition from
the National Government, I ordered that from 1200 to 1500, Massachu-
setts Troops will be assembled at this City tomorrow. It is probable
that they may be obliged to remain here for a day or two in
order to be mustered into the service of the United States. Being
desirous to render them as comfortable as possible during their
sojourn here, I request your Honor, if possible, to make arrange-
ments to permit the use of Fenwick Hall for their accommo-
dation, and I will be obliged - if there are other buildings
within the limits of the City that may be conveniently pro-
vided for that purpose, - if your Honor will be pleased to designate
them and cooperate in this movement with Yours respectfully,
John A. Andrew. To His Honor, Maya Fishman. Read and then
upon Order: That the Committee on Public Buildings on
the part of this Board be and they are hereby authorized to
render to the Executive of the Commonwealth the use of Fen-
wick Hall and such other Buildings under the control of the
City for the accommodation of the Massachusetts troops to be as-
sembled in this City under the requisition of the National Gov-
ernment as may be found necessary or expedient. Read twice
and passed. Approved by the Maya. April 15, 1861.

Militia
quarters

Fenwick
Hall

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Green &
Chambers
Streets

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct sewers in Chambers and Green Streets from Green to Everett Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 16. 1861.

Fort Hill

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Committee on Common &c, to construct the wall of the fence around the Park on Fort Hill, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 16. 1861.

Essex

Street.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Essex Street by taking land of the heirs of Thomas Barry were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 16. 1861.

Mortgage

discharged

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given by Samuel S. May to the City of Boston on a parcel of land on Athens Street, South Boston, which mortgage is recorded with Suffolk Deeds, lit. 731, fol. 171. the note and interest for which said mortgage was given having been fully paid. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 16. 1861.

Mortgage

discharged

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given to the city by Wm. S. Turner on a parcel of land in corner of Rockline Street and Harrison Avenue, which mortgage is recorded with Suffolk Deeds, lit. 120, fol. 97. the note and interest for which said mortgage was given having been fully paid. Read

twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 16. 1861.

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Bruce

Slave was given to Edwin Bruce
to give concerts at the Tremont Temple on the 18th and 20th of April instant.

On petition of B. H. Smith
for a grade of Providence Street, the Committee on Paving reported
that it is inexpedient to take any action on the subject at this
time. Read and accepted.

On petition of Freeman Smith
to be compensated for damages occasioned by change of grade
in Milford Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to
withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Bond of Edward Hatch
Inspector and Keeper in Chief of Lights was approved by the
Board.

On petition of Boston Light
Artillery Company for use of the parade ground on Boston Common
June 17. 1861, the Committee on Common's reported that the prayer
of the petitioners be granted provided they can make a satisfac-
tory arrangement with the Commandant of the First Regiment
of Infantry. Read and accepted.

According to the report of the
Committee on External Health, leave was granted to the Direc-
tor for Public Institutions to use a portion of the old State Hospi-
tal at Deer Island or so much of the same as may be neces-
sary for the purpose of a Piggery and Slaughter. Approved by the
Mayor, April 16. 1861.

Deer Island
Piggery

On the subject of the petition to

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Western
Avenue

the Legislature in relation to the Western Avenue, the Committee on Paving reported that no action thereon is required, read and accepted.

These
Railroads

The Committee on Paving, to whom were referred the several orders of notice on petitions to the Legislature for location of these Railroads in this City, reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Commercial
Street

Whereas, pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the ninth day of July 1860, public notice thereof having first been given, a common Sewer has been constructed in Commercial Street between Lewis and Fleet Streets, the cost of which was nine hundred and eighty three dollars and twenty nine cents, one half part thereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains four hundred ninety one dollars and fifty five cents, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, and they heirs are charged and assessed, with the sum therein set to their respective names, as their proportionate part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants and assigns. Read twice and passed.

Commercial
Street

Whereas, pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the ninth day of July 1861, public notice thereof having first been given, a common Sewer has been constructed in Commercial Street, between Richmond and Lewis Streets, the cost of which was fifteen hundred and fifty six dollars

has and eighty seven cents, on half part whereof being de- 231
ducted, to be paid by the said city, there remain eight hundred
and twenty seven dollars and ninety four cents, to be charged
upon benefit by the same, according to law. The Mayor
Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto an-
nexed being admitted as one aid, be and they may be
charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their re-
spective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the
said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice
thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice
and passed.

Alderman Wilson submitted to the Board a Summe and Advice as follows: Whereas the
City of Boston still remains amidst a multitude of dangers to
the Constitution and the Laws, now so seriously imperilled,
and whereas, at the momentous crisis the expression of our senti-
ments has become a part of our public duty, therefore Resolved, That
in the dark day which we upon us, the City of Boston hereby joins
to the government of the United States, all its power, strength and
unity; and, true to its traditions and the constitution to which it
owed so much of its moral and material prosperity, that it will,
in the contest to come, make common cause and stand in honest
alliance with all loyal corporations, and will regard as public
enemies of the happiness of mankind all disloyal communities
or whatever name they be called, or wherever they may be es-
tablished. Resolved: That as in time of public danger, all other
considerations than those of the public defence should be put in
abeyance, so we do heartily recommend to the good people of the
City of Boston an oblivion of party differences, and an alliance

Constitution

Article 6.

Article 6.

of each honest citizen with the other in vindication of our rights
 and in behalf of our liberties. Resolved: That no
 wrong can palliate parricide, and no injury, real or fancied,
 justify hostility to a constitution containing within itself the
 elements of its own amendment, & do the Revolted States of this
 Republic stand before the civilized world defendants, and convicted
 of an assault upon the common rights of nations, which are
 enlightened by Christianity, and governed by just laws; of infidelity
 to the cause of civil order and of regulated liberty; of unmiti-
 gated contumacy with those who find in the disorders of society an
 excuse for its subversion, and of kindling the dead embers of
 war into flame by making it the fast and illicit resort of all
 who are angry without reason, and aggressive without a cause.
 Resolved: That while those who have insanely kindled the
 flames of civil war are entitled neither to explanations nor
 concessions yet to our ^B true and faithful support, the seceding States
 we hereby renew our assurances of fidelity to all the compact and
 compromises of the Constitution, and in confirmation of our in-
 centive we print to the heads of the municipalities attesting its
 faith and its firmness in the discharge of all its public duties
 are disengaged. Resolved: That while for the sake of our common
 humanity we earnestly deprecate all needless acts of war we
 would respectfully urge upon the President of the United States
 and those under him in authority ^C a vigorous prosecution of the
 policy already inaugurated, and we entreat them while making
 no terms with treason, and holding no parley with rebellion, to
 conduct the public affairs as most speedily to bring the present un-
 happy dissensions to a wise and honorable conclusion, in such wise
 demonstrating to the world that ours is alike a government of

equity and of energy, with the clemency, but not less with the firm- 233

ness of a parent. Resolved: That Mrs. Anna the Mayor be requested April 15, 1861
to communicate authentic copies of these resolutions to the Presi-
dent of the United States, and to such other persons or public corpora-
tions as may seem wise and expedient. Read twice and assigned
for consideration on Monday next at six o'clock, P.M.

The Annual report of the Direct- Institution
ors of Public Institutions for the year 1860, being Vol. 2 of the 2nd Series of
Reports, came up from the Common Council. Placed on file.

Ordered: That there be paid Five
to Joseph Faye the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars,
in full compensation for any and all claims for damages to
his estate on Rochester Street, caused by a change of the grade of
the said street, upon his proving his title to said estate to the
satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City
an acquittance and discharge from all damages, costs and
expenses in consequence of said grading of Rochester Street; and
that the same be charged to the appropriation for Fencing to said
ward.

Resolved, That the safety Kingston
and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Street
Kingston Street should be widened, and for that purpose it Parker
is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of
the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Mary B. Parker
and others bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed
line of widening of Kingston Street, there measuring forty three
feet and 10; Northwardly by other land of the said Mary B. Parker.

234. Ker, thirteen feet and $\frac{35}{100}$; Eastwardly by the present line of Kings-
ton Street, six feet and $\frac{68}{100}$; and Southwardly by Essex Street
twelve feet and $\frac{85}{100}$; containing five hundred and eighty five
square feet, more or less. And whereas due notice has been given
of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the
purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereto annexed, it is therefore
ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same here-
by is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City,
according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hade,
City Engineer, dated April 10th 1861, and deposited in the office of the
said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that
the expense of widening the said Kingston Street, as aforesaid, will
amount to seventeen hundred dollars: which sum together with
the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances
in said street during the present municipal year, does not ex-
ceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Assessors

The Committee on the Assessors
Department to whom were referred the paper relating to the
claim of the Assessors of 1860 for service in returning the Valua-
tion of Boston to the State Authorities, have considered the same
and beg leave to Report: That the Assessors were required by
law to perform the labor for which this bill was rendered it being
beyond the scope of their ordinary duties. The Committee are sat-
isfied that the Assessors are equally and properly entitled to com-
pensation, and the amount which the ask is considered reason-
able in view of the work done and the sums allowed for similar
service elsewhere. They therefore recommend the passage of the
order for the payment of the bill, as follows: For the Committee

J. May, Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of six hundred dollars 235.
be allowed and paid to the Principal Assessors for 1860, for services April 15. 1861.
in obtaining the State valuation of Boston for 1860; and that the
same be charged to the appropriation for Salaries. Read once.

Ordered: That Devonshire Street Devonshire
be known and called as such from State Street to Summer Street, That
that is to say that the name of Winthrop Place be changed to
Devonshire Street, and from east of said Devonshire Street. That
the space in front of the buildings of William B. Field and James
M. Peck, be known and called Winthrop Square. That Otis
Place be hereafter known and called Otis Street. Read once.

Ordered: That Thorne Street Thorne
between Marion Street and Bennington Street, be and the same
hereby is accepted and dedicated as a public highway, the East
Boston Company having given a deed of the same to the City.
Read once.

The Special Committee to Back Bay
whom was referred the subject of the Back Bay drainage
and the directions of the streets therein, respectfully submit the
following Report and Order. Upon a subject of so much im-
portance, it may be expected that the Committee will give a
brief history of the process by which this part of the Harbor of
Boston and Roxbury has been detached therefrom, and has be-
come the property of corporations and individuals. They have there-
fore appended to this Report a review of the whole subject of
the Back Bay, culled from the various documents of the State
and City Government relating thereto, in chronological order.

200. In coming to this appendix, it appears that the City was fully
instructed with the right to use the basin for a receiving reservoir
to drain into and over to the channel. It was also so arranged that
the City could prevent any buildings from being erected between
the Public Garden and Channel forever. Holding the position, and
having complete control over, although it did not own the fee
of the land, it was very desirable for the State, Water Power Com-
pany, and all other interested, that the City's interest should be
divested and quieted; and the City Government was constantly
approached for that purpose. Finally, in December, 1856, an Indent-
ure was made between the State, the City, and Water Power Co., with
a view of an equitable adjustment between the parties. In this
settlement, the Water Power Co. received for its portion the receiving
basin, acres, with a full release from the City of Boston. About
one hundred acres were released to the State by the City and
Water Power Co. The City, which had a free use of this territory
forever, for drainage purposes and for air and prospect from the
Public Garden, received for its portion one acre and 1240 square
feet. This was a small tract, and the State to it, as part of a
strip of land at the bottom of the Public Garden, containing about
2 3/4 acres, which neither of the other parties ever had a right
to use without the consent of the City. This small strip of land
is of as much, and probably of more value to the State than
than to the City in its present position. The City has expended some
sums of money to beautify and adorn the Public Garden im-
mediately in front of the State property, without calling upon it
for any portion of the expenditure. In this equitable adjustment,
if an agreement can be so called wherein only the City is
benefitted at the cost of the other party - the City has been

ed of the invaluable right of a free circulation of air and open 237.
space from the country to the common sewer, it has been
obliged to provide other drainage in place of the main drain
it had a right to use, and also to raise streets and buildings
to conform to the new order of things. The raising of Corn Street
alone has cost more than ninety thousand dollars; and that
is but one of a series of expenditures to be anticipated. Whether
the City is liable or not, is a question which is not before us at
the present time, but it is one that is to be met and to be decided
upon. There was one other consideration held out to the City, in
this indenture, on page 6 (City Rec. No. 54, 1857). It is stated that
it is important in the interest of all parties concerned, that the sys-
tem of draining the land in the Back Bay and that part
of the City of Boston contiguous thereto, and also a part of the
City of Roxbury, should be the best that can be decided; and
it further states that two large main sewers are to be constructed,
one from Tremont Street and one from Camden Street to
the Milldam, said sewers not to be less than three feet in diam-
eter at Tremont and Camden streets, and not less than nine
feet at Charles River, and are to be constructed as fast as the Board
of Health of the City of Boston may deem necessary to prevent
nuisance being created by the drain which may enter into
the basin; said two main sewers to be for the use and benefit
of all the parties hereto. The cost of these main sewers was to be
borne in separate portions, as defined in Article 1, page 11, of the
Dec. 1857. The sewer main provided for are to be in lieu of the
rights of building and maintaining drains in said basin, as
granted to in the indentures of Dec. 26, 1826, and of Feb. 1, 1827, and
of any other right which the City may have to lay and main-

238. *lain drains in said basin. To make the matter clear, it may be*
April 15/1861. *necessary to state that in all plans made for the City, in reference*
to the subject of grading streets, drainage, water works, &c., relative
heights are expressed by figures, low water being at 0. The drains
leading into the Back Bay, in the vicinity of Lever and Church
streets are from 6 inches below to 4 feet above 0. The Boston and
Worcester and Providence Railroad crossings are 6 feet above; from
mean high water to extreme is 10 to 11 feet above; Tremont Street
is 16 feet above; Bay View Avenue is 15 feet above; grade of South
Bay land, 16 feet above; grade of Water Street and State lands 18
feet above; so that a sewer emptying at 0 (low water), with a
grade of 2 inches to the 100 feet, that bring the mean between 1 1/2
and 2 1/2 inches which is generally adopted in European cities,
would bring the bottom of the sewer 4 inches above the rails of
the railroad tracks, at their crossings, and be from 5 to 8 feet
above the outlets of the sewers it proposes to utilize in the vicinity
of Lever Street. Of course, this consideration in the argument
is of no practical value, and cannot be carried out. The bottom
of the new sewer, built in Tremont and Lever Streets, is at
grade 5 of a foot below 0, at the junction of these streets. It may
be asked what interest the City has in this large tract of land,
and what their duty is in the premises. The first is a pecuniary
one, as it is of the utmost importance that the streets and drain-
age of this section of the City should be so arranged that there
should not be a constant drain upon the City Treasury for dig-
ing out new streets, widening and straightening others and
relaying sewers, &c.; the sewers should be of a permanent char-
acter, and built with suitable grades; there should be space
of ample dimension for full basin or lakes of clear water.

and arranged with suitable inlets from Charles River, and out-
falls into the sewers, to scour them perfectly; there should be suf- April 15. 1860
ficient spaces reserved for parks, squares, and other open places
as usual at least to be appropriated by the City upon its
own lands in Ward II; and, finally, the City has a duty to per-
form towards those who may hereafter reside in this portion of the
city, and should insist upon its being made a healthful district.
It may be said that all this would be desirable if this property
belonged to the City; but your Committee ask, has not the City the
right to require that Sewers shall be so laid that they shall not
become a nuisance, and to refuse to accept any streets, or to
light them, or to lay water-pipes therein, if, in the opinion of the
City Government, the streets are not in a suitable condition to be
accepted? and would it not add to the value of this property
for residences, were it understood that the streets were to be under
the charge of the City? It is also due to the several proprietors of
this land, that arrangements should be made for the benefit of
all; and that can only be done by one party, as it would be im-
possible for one corporation owning the largest amount of property
to act alone, much more those owning small tracts of land;
and as the City will eventually become the owner of all the
streets and drains upon this territory, it seems proper that the City
should take the initiating steps, form grades and profiles of the
whole territory in such a manner as shall be a mutual bene-
fit to all parties interested, and materially add to the value of
the property; and your Committee have the pleasure to inform
the Government that all the parties with whom conferences have
been held, have expressed their entire approbation of the course
taken, or intended to be taken by the City, and have expressed a

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willingness to bear such reasonable proportion of the expense as
the committee may think just and proper. The Legislature has
also passed a law, dated April 9, 1861, authorizing their commis-
sioners to confer with other parties concerning a modification of the
plan of building upon the Back Bay. Your Committee, upon a
full examination of the subject unanimously recommend the ap-
pointment of five commissioners, who, acting in concert with your
Committee, will confer with the proprietors, and endeavor to estab-
lish a plan and mode of street, and a complete system of sew-
erage; also to reserve such open spaces for sanitary purposes and
entertainment as are indicated in this report. The expense of said
commission, and all other incidental expenses, such as mak-
ing surveys, plans, lithographs, and all clerical duties appor-
tioned to the committee, are to be paid in the usual manner by checks
upon the Treasury. It is further recommended that the com-
mittee be authorized to make an equitable arrangement
with all parties as to their just proportion of the expense, all of
which shall be advanced to the City Treasurer. The committee
therefore advise the passage of the accompanying order. Jonathan
Hester, Samuel A. Spinney, Geo. W. Farnum, Committee. Resolved:
That five competent persons be appointed by the Board of Alder-
men, subject to the approval of His Honor the Mayor, who shall
be invested with full power, in consultation with the Special
Committee on this subject, to confer with the Boston Water Board
concerning the city of Boston, the State Commissioners, and any
and all other owners of territory on the Back Bay, so called, and
arrange some general and satisfactory plan for the permanent
direction, guide and sewerage of the various tracts which will
be contiguous to said Back Bay location. And that said com-

missions and Committee be required, if any plan of direction, 241.
grade, and surcharge of said streets shall be mutually a- April 15. 1881
gued upon by the several parties in interest, to report the same
to this Board, for its sanction and approval and that the ex-
penses of said Commission, when approved by said Special
Committee and His Honor the Mayor, be paid from the appropria-
tion for surcharge on the Back Bay. Read once. In City Ex. No 25.

The Committee on Raising have
now had under consideration the subject of the construction of the
raising of the grade on Lever Street from Townsend Street to
Hemont Street, as contemplated by the City Council of last year,
present the following Report and Order: The raising up of
the Back Bay lands to a higher grade than that of Lever Street
and other streets in that vicinity comprised in the area be-
tween Hemont and Washington streets, rendered it imperatively
necessary that this territory should be raised to a corresponding
level, in order to obtain a proper drainage, which has been dis-
turbed, and in some instances cut off, by the operation above
mentioned. The City Council of last year intended to report the
most immediate action, ordered the raising of Lever Street, ac-
cording to a plan approved by the Committee on Raising, and adopt-
ed by the Board of Aldermen, and carried forward the work
with commendable energy. Considerable time elapsed before the
necessary steps could be taken to commence the work, and the
approaching inclemency of winter prevented the accomplishment
of the design of the City Government. The entire range of houses
upon one side of the street had been raised, and when the
other side likewise remained at the low grade unraised by the

Order
Street
Improvement

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twelve houses (being in one block between Shawmut Avenue and Leonard Street), a portion only of the corner had been laid out for the raising of their notice. It becomes the duty of the Committee on raising for the present year to comply with the order of the City Government as directed. In this they have met with no little embarrassment, principally through the indisposition of owners to assume any part of the expense incurred. Some are desirous to sell at once as a contributant to preclude the possibility of being accepted by the Committee, while others are willing to sell at a fair advance upon the valuation of the Assessors. In one instance the owner wishes to exchange for a house in the same street, which is the property of the city. The unfinished state of the work seems to have created in the mind of some persons an idea that the city is obliged to complete the operation at any cost, and they are thereby induced from any contribution to assist, which has been done. There is also reason to believe that among those whose buildings have already been raised, the opinion exists that the city will be unwilling to contract with them unless the work is vigorously prosecuted to its conclusion. The expense of the Leonard Street improvement will not exceed the original estimate, viz: \$100,000. There has been already expended the amount of \$86,101.63. Deducting from this sum \$33,000 for the purchase of five houses by the city, leaves the actual expenditure made up to this period in Leonard Street only the moderate sum of \$53,101.63. Two of the houses have been sold for \$14,000, and three are yet unsold. For a minute account of the expenditures and other details of the operations of last year, the Committee would refer with much pleasure to the able and elaborate Annual Report of the Superintendent of Streets. Under the adverse circumstances

which attend the work of the Committee in securing bonds, and
tempting to negotiate with abutter, when the idea is prevalent that
the city is compelled to do the raising for them or be subjected to
claims for damages from those whose houses have been already
ruined. It is plain that but little progress can be made in that di-
rection. After much deliberation upon the matter and careful
consideration of the interests of the city, the Committee incline to
the opinion that it is advisable to purchase such of the houses as
may be offered at reasonable prices. This would lessen the num-
ber of claims for damages occasioned by change of grade, and
perhaps if one or two purchases were made at fair rates, others
might be induced to accept the same, rather than contend with
the city after a liberal proposition had been made. It would seem
to be hazardous policy to complete at once the grading and paving
of the street, thus leaving the twelve estates in question so far below
the grade as to excite the owners to combine in litigation against
the city. The uncertain and protracted result which almost
invariably attends all cases where the city Government is con-
cerned, would tend to prevent improvements of this nature being
made in other streets. A regard for the welfare of the city, and
justice to all citizens irrespective of wealth or condition, should be
the governing motives in all dealings with private interests. The
Committee are unanimously of the opinion that a loan should
be negotiated of sufficient amount to allow the purchase of
one half or the entire number of houses if it shall appear for
the city's interest so to do. The money thus expended will soon
return to the Treasury while, if the Committee are unsuccessful
in making arrangements with abutter the cost will probably be
much greater than the average amount paid for work of the same

244. description already performed. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order to the Committee. Geo. B. Farmer, chairman. Ordered, That the Committee on Paving be authorized to exchange the three houses now owned by the City of Boston on Dorchester Street for three houses in the block of twelve houses which remain to be raised on said Dorchester Street, between Emerald and Suffolk Streets if the Committee on Paving deem that the City interests will be promoted thereby in settling claims for damages. Ordered, That the City Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of ninety thousand dollars, the same to be appropriated for raising the grade of Dorchester Street. Read once and ordered to be printed. City Doc. No. 27.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the nineteenth day of April A.D. 1871.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Hatch and Farmer.

Military Fund

Ordered: That Messrs. Alderman

Tucker, Henshaw, Ball and Crosby with such as the Board of 245.

Aldermen may join be a committee to provide for the wants, April 14, 1861.
and supply the necessities of such of the Military of the City of
Boston as have been or may be called into the service of the
United States in the present exigencies of public affairs and that
with the concurrence or approval of the Mayor the Mayor may
be authorized to expend the sum of money not exceeding
the sum of \$100,000 and that the Mayor under
the direction of the Committee on Finance be authorized to borrow
the said amount. Voted: That when the said sum has
been obtained as aforesaid the same shall be subject to the
control of the Mayor for the purposes aforesaid. Passed in Common
Council. Yeas 39 Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Yeas Aldermen
Finney, Gibson, Hanson, Pierce, Ray, Weston, Rich, Spinney and Wilson,
Nays none. [See page 25] and Aldermen Rich, Hanson and Ray
were joined on said Committee. Approved by the Mayor April
14, 1861.

The Committee on Armories, Armories
to whom were referred several applications from Military Com- approved
panies for the approval of their respective Armories, having exam-
ined said Armories, recommend the passage of the following
order. For the Committee, Thomas P. Rich, Chairman. Ordered:
That the Armory of the 1st Regiment of Infantry, at
the corner of Summer and State Streets; the Armory of the 2nd
Regiment of Infantry, at Beacon Falls, South Boston; the Armory
of the 3rd Regiment of Infantry, at Boylston Hall; and the Armory of
the 4th Regiment of Infantry, at 344 Washington Street be ap-
proved by this Board at an annual cost of \$100,000
dollars each per annum. Voted: Passed. Passed to the Mayor, April 14, 1861.

Resolved: That the Committee

April 19/1861. be on Armories be requested to provide such rooms as may
Armories be under the control of the City of Boston for the use of such of
to be furnished the Military as are not otherwise provided with Armour accom-
modations. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
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Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, PM

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the twenty second day of April, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Harter Police
boat

A communication was received from the Chief of Police stating the necessity which exists for the Harter Police to have a larger and more commodious Boat for Harter service. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Smith

Petition of J. H. Smith that the Board would approve the selection of C. Riddle's gunroom in Union Shed as a Drill room for the Fish Brigade now forming in this City. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

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and others that William Street between Washington and Sumner Streets may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of John Merriam

Merriam

to have to move a building from Merriam Avenue to Tyler Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Petition of Charles L. Smith

Smith

to be paid for land taken to widen North Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Parker, Leroy & Co.

Parker

that a new sewer may be laid in Tucker Street, to connect with the Charlestown Street sewer. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of George H. Phillips and

Phillips

others and others, praying that the additional Court room be furnished in the Court House be appropriated to the use of the Police Court. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on part of this Board.

Court House

Petition of J. H. Phillips and others

Phillips

for the members of the Common Council that the new room to be constructed in the Court House be devoted to the use of the Police Court. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on part of this Board.

Court House

Petition of George F. Fernald and

Fernald

others to use of Faneuil Hall April 24th for a public meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Faneuil Hall

April 22 1861. James A. Selman, Edward Felt, William L. Heddard, and Sam
Officers for duty at the State House.

On nomination to the Board
Edward Felt was appointed and confirmed by the Board
as a Member of Food and Back.

On notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on
the street, in the city; and, in the opinion of the Board
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the
said street should be widened at the place described in the
said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be gi-
ven to the said Simonds that this Board intend to widen the
street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about
to be built upon by said Simonds and lay out the same as a
public street, and that Simonds do thereunto comply and
execute it as required. It is ordered that the Board do receive
any objections which may be made thereto.

The Common Council having
School House referred to the Committee on Public Instruction and Public
Education, the remonstrance of Ebenezer Johnson and others
against the present location of the High School in
Southac Street which remonstrance was sent down to that
Branch on the fifteenth instant. said action came up for con-
currence. Read and this Board concurred therein.

Petition of the Trustees of the 249.

From Medical College for the postponement of the collection of the instalments and interest due on their bond to the City of the Hospital estate on Springfield Street they being unable to pay the same at this date and that a new arrangement of the terms of payment may be made as in said petition is more fully set forth. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. April 25. Came up concurred.

Petition of Henry E. Sims to be Sims

paid for personal injuries sustained from an alleged defect in Mason Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 25. Came up concurred.

Petition of Company A of the Company A

to be situated for use of a room in the City Hall for the purpose of an Armory. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings with full power. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Committee on Finance. If propositions.

Having duly considered the communications from the Comptroller in Suers dated first instant, and that of the Auditor, and having also received a communication from the City Council the passage of the annexed order, authorizing certain transfers of existing appropriations. For the Committee to report on. Rightman Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of accounts be and is authorized to make the following transfer of appropriations, viz: from General Fund to Board of Health and from Public Buildings to the Department of

250 thousand dollars and to Primary Schools the same amount.
April 22, 1861. from Unliquidated Claims to Incidentals, four thousand dollars.
from William Smith to John Smith, ten thousand dollars.
from Maria B. Smith to P. Smith, one thousand dollars. for, and
other sundries as it may be found necessary to make in clos-
ing up the accounts of this financial year, which ended with
the present month of April. Passed in Common Council.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved
by the Mayor, April 23, 1861.

Spencer
claim.

The report and order submit-
ted to the Board on the fifteenth instant to allow and pay
to the Principal, in case of his service in obtaining
the State valuation the sum of \$5,000.00 were
read a second time and were passed. Sent down for con-
currence. Nov. 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 16, 1861.

William
to abate.

The Common Council having
amended the order, which passed this Board on the eighth in-
stant, authorizing the abatement of nuisances by the Super-
intendent of Health in certain cases of emergency, by adding
to said order the words "under the direction of the Committee
on Internal Health" said action came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 25, 1861.

Carroll Street

The order submitted at the
meeting of the Board on the fifteenth instant to author-
ize the Committee on Public Buildings to have raised in
the block of twelve houses which remain to be raised on Car-
roll Street, and to have raised and Superintended, if deemed
expedient, also for the Treasurer to borrow the sum of \$10,000.

and dollars to meet said expense, were read a second 251
time and passed. Voted Aldermen Amory, Hanson, Hatch, Parmenter, 15th Feb. 22, 1861.
Rice, Pray, Weston, Wick, Spinney, and Wilson 10. Saye, Alder-
men Clark and Wilson 2. Sent down for concurrence. May 30.
same of concurred yes 30. No 2. Reported by the Clerk
May 31, 1861.

Ordered: In case any person 18th
a officer of the city or any of the departments shall without the officers consent
Mayor's approval enter the Militia Service of the State a United
States his place shall be retained and his salary continu-
ed to him while absent during the present Municipal Year.
Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Agreeably to assignment Constitution
the Board took up the consideration of the Resolves declar- fully to
ing the allegiance of the City of Boston to the Constitution and
the Laws of the United States, and the question being on the
passage of said resolves, as recorded page 231, they were amended
on motion of Alderman Wilson by striking out of the word
"will" and by striking out at B. the word "shall". At the suggestion
of Alderman Parmenter, the fifth resolution was also amended,
by striking out the words between C. and D. and inserting
"to ensure such constitutional peace as shall best conduce
to the Union and Harmony of the several States". The Yes
and No having been demanded on the passage of the
amended and resolves as amended they were taken as follows,
viz: Aldermen Amory, Clark, Gilbert, Hanson, Hatch, Parmenter, Rice,
Saye, Weston, Wick, Spinney, and Wilson, 12. Saye none. No said
resolves as amended were unanimously adopted. Sent down

April 22, 1861. the Mayor, April 20, 1861.

Lancaster
and Portland
Streets. Ordered: That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify the abutters on Lancaster and Portland
Streets, who have not laid their sidewalks with brick, to have
said sidewalks laid with brick or flat stones, within twenty
days. And that in default thereof the same will be done by the
City at their expense according to law.

Brighton
Lancaster
Cambridge
Street. Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Streets be authorized to lay the sidewalks in
Brighton, Lancaster and Cambridge Street, the width
of said streets to be as being required by the Cambridge
Road Company at their cost. Also, that he remove all ob-
stacles over the line or opening into the streets which he shall
deem dangerous, and not secured according to the Ordinance
of the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
April 23, 1861.

Lane
Street. Ordered: That the Superinten-
dent of Streets be authorized to grade Lane Street westward
of Clement Street, and the expense thereof be charged to the
appropriation for Lane Street. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor April 23, 1861.

Armory
Proposition of J. A. Smith for the
appraisal of the Armory occupied by the Volunteer Light Infantry
his command at 385 Washington Street, the same under a lease
is reported that said armory be appraised for a period not
exceeding one month. Approved by the Mayor, April 23, 1861.

Ordered: That there be paid 255.

To John Durham the sum of one hundred and twenty five
dollars for land taken to open Allen Street, upon his giving
the city a deed for the same, and an acquittance and
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence
of said taking, and that the same is charged to the appro-
priation for laying out and widening Streets. And it is further
ordered, that the order approved November 28, 1860, to pay
to Durham two hundred and fifty dollars for land on Allen
Street be and the same is hereby rescinded. Read twice and
passed. Approved by the Mayor April 23, 1861. (page 276)

The order submitted to the
Board on the fifteenth instant to change the name of Win-
throp Place to Devonshire Street and the name of Old Place to
Old Street and giving the name of Winthrop Square to the
space between said streets, was read a second time & passed.
Approved by the Mayor April 23, 1861. Winthrop Square.

The notice and order sub-
mitted on the fifteenth instant to take land from Maria B. Kingston Street
Carter and others for the purpose of widening Kingston Street,
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
April 23, 1861.

The order submitted to the
Board on the fifteenth instant to pay to John True five hun-
dred and fifty dollars for damages done to his estate in laying
out and widening Rochester Street was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor April 23, 1861. Page

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America.

America occupied by the Trencher Companies under the command respectively of Captains Thomas W. Blake at 179 Court Street; and C. L. L. at 179 Court Street; and Capt. Howard at 179 Court Street; and the sum of \$1000 and no expense to the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. April 23, 1861.

Constable

The Bonds of John Southworth and of William L. Miller, Constables, having been duly approved by the City Treasurer were approved by the Board. Approved by the Mayor. April 22, 1861.

Order

The order submitted to the Board on the fifteenth instant to accept Thore Street between Union and Bennington Streets as a public highway, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. April 22, 1861.

Back Bay
Lands

The report and order submitted to the Board on the fifteenth instant for the appointment of the Board of Surveyors of five competent persons under the approval of the Mayor to confer with the Special Commissioner Back Bay Lands, the Water Power Company the City of Boston the State Commissioners and the riparian proprietors on Back Bay in order to arrange and report some general and detailed plan for the drainage of Back Bay Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. April 23, 1861.

Order

Ordered: That the sum of twenty eight dollars and six cents be ordered to an order of the

and of others who have been in the
proportional part of the cost of constructing a common sewer in
Atlantic Street and the same is hereby added in
consequence of the same having been previously assessed for
a sewer in South Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by
the Mayor, April 23, 1861.

Ordered: That the city treasurer
and he is hereby directed to pay to John Collamore and
Samuel Whitwell the sum of forty three dollars and seven
cents, being the amount collected of William Thayer as his pro-
portional part of the cost of constructing the sewer in
consequence of an order of the Board of Aldermen dated October
1855, in which the said Collamore and Whitwell agreed to pay
the same of the cost of constructing the sewer in Channing
Street, with the understanding that any parties entering any
line into said sewer should be held to pay their proportion-
al part of the cost of said sewer and the money so collected should
be paid over to the said Collamore and Whitwell. Read twice
and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 23, 1861.

On petition of Broadway
sewer company for the sewer to be laid from
main in Summer Street through Summer Street, across
Washington Street and through Winter Street to Fremont Street,
more or less the back of the Metropolitan Railroad in Fremont,
across and Washington Street to Essex Street, a from their
present terminus in Summer Street, through Bedford, across
Washington Street through West Street to Fremont Street, and
thence over the works of the Metropolitan Rail Road in Fremont

256. Street, Cornhill and Washington Street, as above described.

April 22, 1861. Also, for a location in Essex Street from Washington Street to the corner of Cornhill Street, and for a location in Essex Street from the corner of Cornhill Street to the corner of Washington Street, that this Board will take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the petitioners on Wednesday, the 27th day of May next, at three o'clock P.M., when all parties who object to the same may appear and be heard.

Suffolk
City and

On petition of the Suffolk Street Railway Company for leave to enter upon and use the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad north of the westerly line of the land, situate at Boylston Street, agreeably to the provisions of the 1st chapter of the Statute of 1860, for permission to construct curve and turnout tracks in Hanover Street and a curve track in Courtenay Street, and for leave to extend their track through that street to the Boston and New York Railroad, that this Board will take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the petitioners on Wednesday, the 27th day of May next, at three o'clock P.M., when all parties who object thereto may appear and be heard.

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Ordered: That the City Treasurer or he and he is hereby directed to pay to Martin G. Page the sum of thirty dollars and fifty five cents, collected of Martin Gould as his proportion of the cost of constructing a carriage lane in Myrtle Street, in pursuance of an order which passed

the Board of Aldermen, dated Sept. 27th 1859, in which the said
ordinance I have agreed to pay to the City three fourths of the cost
of constructing a common sewer in North Street under
condition that any parties entering a drain into said sewer
should be held to pay their proportional part of the cost of
said sewer and the money collected should be paid to
the said Benjamin I. Page. Resolved and passed. Approved by
the Mayor, April 23. 1861.

Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists on premises No. 6 Summer Street caused
by an obstructed water closet and defective drainage in said
premises, belonging to Benjamin I. Prescott which is dangerous to
the health of the inhabitants of the City. And the
Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to
cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions
from drain and repairing water closet, at the expense of said
party, who, having been duly notified to him, has neglected
to abate said nuisance.

At the suggestion of Alderman
Stark, who was unavailably absent at the meeting of the
Board on the nineteenth instant the members of the Board,
now present, who were then absent at that meeting were al-
lowed to record their votes on the proposition to aid the Militia ser-
vice to a loan of one hundred thousand dollars to equip
the volunteer troops of this City. And the names of of said
members having been called their votes on said order as
follows: Aldermen Stark, Hatch and Sumner, 3. Ayes.
None. So said order is recorded page 244 was received the unanim-
ous vote of this Board.

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June 1. 1861

Summer
Street

Military
Fund

April 22, 1861

Lands

Plan of

Public Lands

Plan of

Ordered: That the City Engineer

under the direction of the Committee on Ordinances make a copy of the book of City Plans now in the office of the Superintendent of Public Lands being book numbered two and lodge said copy when completed in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Suffolk. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and on motion of Alderman Hatch laid on the table.

The Committee on Ordinances

to whom was referred an order to inquire into the expediency of making it the duty of the Superintendent of Public Lands whenever any lot or part of a lot of land described on any plan of the City shall be conveyed by the City to file a copy of such plan in the Registry of Deeds unless such plan shall have been previously filed. The said Superintendent the subject respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying ordinance. To the Committee. Thomas C. Mowatt Chairman. Read and accepted in Common Council and the ordinance passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table on motion of Alderman Hatch.

Mortgage

Mortgage

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor

do and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given to the City of Boston by Jacob German of England, on a parcel of land lying in said City and which mortgage is recorded with Middlesex South District at Vol. 738 Fol. 181 the note and interest for which said mortgage was given having been fully paid. Read twice and passed.

the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given to the wife of John Thompson of Concord, Mass., on a parcel of land in said Framingham, which mortgage was recorded with Middlesex South District Land Tit. 828. He discharges the note and interest for which said Mortgage was given having been fully paid. Read twice and passed.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to John Thurston to exhibit a Mammoth Pig in this City.

On petition of Suffolk Rail Road Company to leave to run a line of omnibuses from Chelsea Ferry to Elliot Street, the Committee on Licenses reported that leave be granted to the petitioners to run three omnibuses from Minnissimmet Ferry through Commercial, State and Washington Streets to Concord Street, and north through Tremont, Court and Hanover Streets to said Ferry. Read and laid on the table.

On petition of L. L. Harlow for leave to run his coaches through Hanover Street, and that their number be increased to thirty five, the Committee on Licenses reported that the petitioners have leave to run three omnibuses south from Minnissimmet Ferry through Commercial, State, and Washington Streets to Concord Street, and north through Tremont, Court and Hanover Streets to said Ferry. Read and laid on the table.

July 24, 1881
Commons

and we have to move a wooden building from Third and Street
and Federal Street Bridge to the Nineteen Street, the Committee
on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Franklin
- Street

Whereas by an order of the
city council of the year instant the sum of sixty three thou-
sand and dollar was appropriated to defray the expense to the
city of widening Franklin Street from Washington to Hawkey
Street; and whereas it is now ascertained, and definitively
settled, that the whole cost of said widening will be eighty
nine thousand and fifteen dollar and sixty two cents, of which
amount twenty seven thousand one hundred and sixty four
dollar is to be contributed and paid by the abutter on the
street, and by others benefitted by the improvement; It is hereby
Ordered: That the said sum of twenty seven thousand and one
hundred and sixty four dollar, when collected and paid
into the city treasury, shall be added to the appropriation of
sixty three thousand dollar already made, and may be
used by the committee having said widening in charge in
liquidation of the cost of said widening. Read once

Adjourned to Wednesday next at ten o'clock A.M.

A meeting of the Board 261

of the Board of the City of Boston, held at the City Hall, on the 24th day of April, 1861.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Allen J. Henry & Smith Smith

for leave to occupy a portion of Third Street with a wooden building for six days. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Common Council has Advertising

the removal of the old clock from the Board of the City, instant providing for the City Advertising in certain papers of this City, by inserting at the words and Boston Post and no longer in the same. Read and the Board agreed thereon. Approved by the Mayor April 24, 1861.

Report of the Committee on the

occupied by the Committee on the removal of Capt. Robert Todd and situated at 377 Washington Street. It was accepted and approved by the Board for a period not exceeding one month. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 24, 1861.

The Committee and rules were read at the last meeting of the Board providing that the amount of twenty seven thousand one hundred and fifty six dollars contributed by the citizens of Franklin Street and others toward the expense of widening said street, shall be devoted to that object by the Committee on Street, was read a second time and passed. Sent

262. down for concurrence. April 25. Came up concurred. April 25

April 24, 1861. id by the Mayor April 26, 1861.

Military

Resolutions

Ordered: That a Committee of five, to be appointed by the Common Council, viz: Messrs. [illegible], [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] and [illegible] the Board of Aldermen may join to a committee to receive and take charge of all materials and articles of clothing that may be contributed, except such as may be contributed by the City, for the military of this City, and cause the same to be distributed to the [illegible] under the direction of the special committee to provide for the wants and supply the necessities of such of the Militiamen of the City of Boston as have been, or may be, called into the service of the United States in the present emergency of public affairs. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred & Aldermen Furmenter and Spinning were joined. Approved by the Mayor April 24, 1861.

Proposition

The Mayor submitted the following communication: To the Honorable City Council. Gentlemen; In consequence of the present extraordinary condition of public affairs, by which the whole country has been rudely precipitated into a state of war, it may well seem to your attention the urgent necessity of a rigid economy in the expenditures of the City Government during the ensuing Municipal Year. The heavy contingent expenses which must be borne by our citizens, and the great depreciation in the value of, and income from, their personal and real estate will require a considerable increase in the rate of taxation which will be exceedingly burdensome under [illegible]

circumstances. I would then respectfully recommend that the Annual Appropriations, now before the City Council, be re- April 24, 1861
committed to the same action as when they were reported,
with instructions to examine the estimates of the expenses of
the several departments and omit all subjects of expenditure
not absolutely required. Further cut and reductions and
improvements and endeavor to reduce the appropriations to
the least amount consistent with the public service. By this
course, I trust, we shall enable our fellow citizens to meet
the present exigency with less personal sacrifice, and to de-
vote more to the patriotic defense of our National Government.
Joseph M. Wightman, Mayor. In Common Council. Read and
went up and the Appropriation Bill for 1861-1862, which had
been reported in action to the Common Council, was recommitted
to the joint special committee to read and report with in-
structions to examine the estimates of the expenses of the several
Departments and omit all subjects of expenditure not ab-
solutely required and endeavor to reduce the appropriations
to the least amount consistent with the Municipal service
with a view to meet the exigencies of the present crisis. Came
up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred in said
recommitment.

On motion of Alderman City Officers
to enlist
The Board reconsidered the vote whereby at the last
meeting an order was passed to permit such officers of the
City Government to hold a commission in the United States
Army service, and to retain their places and salaries. There-
upon said vote was referred to Aldermen Pierce and Hatch
with authority to consult the City Solicitor on the legality of said

Report
Council

Aldermen Simon submitted to
the Board an Ordinance to provide for the issues or disbursement
of any of the Treasuries: which Ordinance was read once

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the twenty ninth day of April, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Report

Petition of James C. Mullen
for a Sewer in E. Street from Broadway to South Street. Referred
to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of William A. Hedges

for a Wagon license, with leave to stand in Market Square. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

Black

Petition of, and A. Black to
leave to move a wooden building from Meridian Street to
Municipal Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with
four.

Burnside

Petition of John M. Burnside
and others that the terminus of the Cambridge Railroad
may be established in Garden Square instead of where now

Shed where it is now located. Referred to the Committee on
Paving.

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Petition of Metropolitan Fair
and company for a permanent location of their track in
East Street, Hamilton Avenue and East Gore Street. For
permission to extend their location to the North and West
ends over the tracks of the Middlebury and Cambridge Rail
Road. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Metropolitan
Fair Co.

Petition of Robert B. Williams
that Upton Street may be put into a suitable condition for
Public Travel. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Williams

Petition of Harry L. Parker
and others that Chapman Place may be required. Referred
to the Committee on Paving.

Parker

Petition of Mary Williams
and others that the Green House be not placed upon
the same location as is contemplated in the petition of William
Williams. Referred to the Committee on the Common

Williams

Petition of Mary B. Parker to be
paid for damages sustained by the taking of a portion of
her land in East Street. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Streets.

Parker

Petition of John Wells and
others that a right be granted to their land for a street in road
between the corner of Main Street. Referred to the Committee on
Streets.

Wells

Petition of Charles E. Higgin

Jan 29 1861
Higgin

and others that Hammond Street be widened from Union Street to Hancock Street. Referred to the Committee on Street

same.

Petition of A. Allen Brune

and others that Boylston Street may be widened opposite the Public Garden. Referred to the Committee on Street.

Suffolk
Railroad

On petition of the Suffolk

Railroad Company for an extension of their location through Friend Street so as to accommodate the cars of the Lynn and Boston Rail Road Company thereon, it is Ordered: That due notice be given to the abutters on Friend Street between Union and Hancock Street, that the Board will take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition on Wednesday the fifteenth of June next at three o'clock P.M. when any person who object thereto may appear and be heard.

Suffolk
Railroad

Petition of Suffolk Rail Road

Company for an extension of their location at the West End to follow the back of the Middlesex and Metropolitan Sewerage and certain other contiguous streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

same.

On nomination by the Mayor

George B. Hale, Thomas Crosby, Oliver P. Adams and Daniel A. Rowland were appointed and confirmed as Police Justices for the city of Boston with all the powers of such Justices except the power of issuing and executing civil process.

On nomination to the Com. 267

Joseph Smith and George Smith were appointed Special Police Officers at that time they Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor Special Police

Joseph H. Low was appointed a Special Police Officer in the Gas Works in Prince Street

No person appearing to object Alinet

to the proposed widening of Alinet Street to 40 feet and of the Sewer and which are recommended to the Committee on Streets

No person appearing to object Court

to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Court Square adjacent to the Court House and which was recommended to the Committee on Streets

Petition of William Ingham

for abatement of tax assessed upon him in 1860. Referred to the Committee on the Police Department. Sent down for concurrence by 2^d vote approved.

Petition of Robert B. Forbes Forbes

for an appropriation to the City in aid of the Grand Guard and which was recommended to the Committee on the Military Fund. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Petition of John A. Smith for

leave to purchase a lot of land and use it as a playground in aid of the Grand Guard. Referred to the Board of Public Land and Commencement. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee

April 24, 1861

The
Council

on Military Fund be instructed to allow the sum of fifteen hundred dollars of said fund to each of the companies of the 1st Regiment of Mass. Cavalry for the purpose of uniforming and equipping said companies. In common Council. Voted to the Committee on Military Fund same as per concurrence. Read and concurred.

Joan
House

This Honr the Mayor communicated to the Board the following: To the Honorable City Council: Gentlemen, I have the pleasure of transmitting to you a communication from William Board of Trustees to the City the use of his large and commodious building recently erected on Tremont Street, for any purpose which will promote the comfort of our citizen soldiers who may be engaged in the defence of the Union and the Constitution. As Mr. Board's generous offer is peculiarly acceptable at this time, that the City Council will take such action in regard to it as will acquire the same as full as he has manifested, and I would also recommend that the building be placed in the charge of the Board of Trustees on Military Fund with, as per, Capt. H. Nightman, Mayor. To His Honor Mayor Nightman, Sir: In the present distracted state of our national affairs, every patriotic heart is throbbing with the desire to do something for his country and the feeling of the City is now united in their common desire to do something for our country. And now, Sir, we must now be united in our common desire to do something for our country. At this time it is to offer for your acceptance no more, just as I have stated, I have stated that, for the purpose of hospital for our

of our soldiers as may be required while in service of the 204
United States during the present war, or for any other purpose. *April 29th 1861*
The City may lease or rent a building, of the kind or for
more the most effect of comfortable shelter, to the want
and necessities of the militia who are, or may be, mustered
into the United States Service. You will oblige me by submitting
this proposition to the City Government, and transferring the build-
ing to them, to be under their care and control for such time
and for such purpose, as may be deemed necessary in the
wisdom and control of the Commander in Chief of our
Republican Armies. That and therefore Resolved:
That the City Council purchase or accept the use of the "War
House," tendered to the City by the proprietor, for such time as it
may be required for the public service. Resolved: That the
thanks of the City Council be presented to William Allen, Esq.
for his noble and disinterested offer to the City, and the
aid thus afforded towards providing for the welfare and com-
fort of our citizen soldiers. Resolved: That the building be
placed in the charge of the Special Committee on the Militi-
ary Fund, with full power to use it for such purpose as are
indicated by the proprietor, and to provide for its safe and
preservation of the City. That twice and passed. And then for
concurrence. May 1st same day concurred. Approved by the Mayor,
May 3. 1861

A proposition from the School Board School Board
School Masters of Boston and the Superintendent of Schools
offering to relinquish to the City during the continuance of
the existing national troubles twenty-five, fifteen, twelve and one
half and ten per cent of their salaries in proportion to the

276 amounts received by them, came up from the Common Council, Read and placed on file.

May 1, 1861
School

Thanks to

Readers.

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be tendered to the Superintendent, Messrs. [illegible] and [illegible] of the Public Library of the City of Boston who have patriotically and generously relinquished a large percentage of their salaries in view of the present unpopularity of the [illegible] [illegible] in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with this amendment, at which I strike out "relinquished" and insert "propose to relinquish". Set down for concurrence. [illegible] Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 3^d 1861.

Letter

From Hospital

A communication was received from John Holten making charges of neglect, cruelty and extravagance in the administration of his public duties by the Superintendent of the Boston Lunatic Hospital. In Common Council Read and thereupon Ordered: That Messrs. Bull, Crockett, Hunt, [illegible], Page and Rice, with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to investigate the subject of the petition of John Holten, presented at this meeting. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred and Aldermen Wilson, Amory and Rice were joined. Approved by the Mayor April 30. 1861.

Address

An Ordinance in further addition to an Ordinance concerning the assessment and collection of Taxes. Be it ordained by the Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston, in City Council assembled, as follows: Section 1. There shall be chosen within ten days after

Appropriation
Bill

and Boards, contained and printed in City Document No. 19.
 1861, and for no other object or purpose,
 and no money shall be expended, and no debt be incurred for any object or purpose,
 for which a specific appropriation is herein made, beyond
 the amount which is specifically appropriated; provided,
 however, that any sum of money which may be subscribed
 or contributed by individuals, to promote the object of any
 of the foregoing appropriations, and which form no part of
 the estimated income of the City, shall be strictly applied
 according to the intention of the contributors, and shall be
 credited to said appropriation accordingly; - that is to say:

To Armories - five thousand dollars. 5000.00

To Armories and Ammunition - three thousand dollars 3000.00

Amunition - one thousand four hundred and fifty dollars 1450.00

Bells and Clocks - fifteen hundred dollars 1500.00

Burial Grounds - thirty five hundred dollars 3500.00

Bridge - seven thousand dollars 7000.00

City Hall - five thousand dollars 5000.00

County of Suffolk - one hundred and eighty
 thousand dollars 180,000.00

Commons - ten thousand dollars 10,000.00

City Debt - three hundred thousand dollars 300,000.00

External Health - six thousand eight hundred
 and fifty dollars 6850.00

Engine House - two thousand six hundred dollars 2600.00

Engineering Department - one thousand dollars 1000.00

The Department of the City of New York
 and County of New York 1,000.00

Internal Debt one hundred and thirty nine thousand, five hundred dollars	139,500.00	9/1861
Interest one hundred thousand dollars	100,000.00	
Accidental expense &c. fifty five thousand dollars	55,000.00	
Lump one hundred and forty thousand dollars	140,000.00	
Alms house for the poor one hundred dollars	100.00	
Market four thousand and one hundred dollars	4,100.00	
Militia Bounty ten thousand dollars	10,000.00	
Mount Hope Cemetery eight thousand dollars	8,000.00	
Prison for the poor fifty thousand dollars	50,000.00	
Red Claims five thousand dollars	5,000.00	
Saving &c. one hundred and forty thousand dollars	140,000.00	
Public Institutions one hundred fifty thousand dollars	150,000.00	
Public Buildings sixteen thousand dollars	16,000.00	
Printing and Stationery ten thousand dollars	10,000.00	
Reserve Fund forty five thousand dollars	45,000.00	
Schools three hundred and twenty five thousand dollars	325,000.00	
State Tax one hundred thousand dollars	100,000.00	
Towns and Grains fifty thousand dollars	50,000.00	
Salaries eighty five thousand dollars	85,000.00	
Antiquated State Claims thirty thousand dollars	30,000.00	
Mining Stock fifty thousand dollars	50,000.00	
Water Works including \$35,000 for interest on cost of the works three hundred and twenty five thousand dollars	325,000.00	
Washington Square one hundred dollars	100.00	
Water Duty Drainage five thousand dollars	5,000.00	
Police two hundred and fifty thousand dollars	250,000.00	

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nine hundred dollars,

2,13,900.00\$ 2,961,920.00

Say two million nine hundred and sixty one thousand, nine hundred and twenty dollars. Memorandum by the Auditor.
From the amount appropriated as per the above

added, viz:

2,961,920.00

Deduct the estimated income, as per

Auditor's estimate 694,405.00

Add income of the Department

Department 225.00 696,740.00

We have the amount required to be raised by taxation

viz: \$ 2,265,180.00

To raise this amount will in the opinion of the

Auditor require a Gross Tax of 2,400,000.00

From which, after deducting for abatements,
less amounts which will not be realized by
the Treasury before the close, - say

134,820.00

We have the balance required, viz:

\$ 2,265,180.00

Read in Common Council. The Hon. Com. came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred. This Aldermen May, and
John Mann, Nathl. Greenleaf, John W. Allen, John
Spinney and Wilson. 12. May, none. Approved by the Council
April 30. 1861.

In order laying a Tax to defray
the expenses of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk
for the financial year 1861-62. Ordered: That the sum of
two million four hundred thousand dollars be raised on the
Polls and Estates of the inhabitants of this City, according to
law, to pay the current expenses of the City of Boston and

Grants of Suffolk during the financial year which will com- 275.
mence with the first day of May 1861, and end with the
last day of April 1862. Read in Common Council. Cons of
Concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor,
April 30. 1861.

Ordered: That all sums re- Public
ceived for exhibitions on the Public Garden during the ensuing Garden
financial year be placed to the credit of the appropriation
for the common and Public Square to be expended on the
said Public Garden. Read twice and passed. Sent down for
concurrence. May 2^d Came up concurred. Approved by the
Mayor May 3^d 1861.

Ordered: That the Superin- South
tendant of Sewer be and he is authorized to conduct William Street
a common Sewer in South Williams Street as prayed for in
the petition of M. H. Nelson provided he agree to pay three
fourths of the cost of the same. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor April 30. 1861.

Ordered: That there be Hood
paid to L. M. Hood the sum of twenty five dollars in full
compensation for any and all claim for damages occa-
sioned by a change of grade of South and North Street
upon his putting his pile to said street on South Street
and upon his giving to the city an acquittance and
discharge for all damages, cost and expenses in consequence
of said change of grade; and that the sum be charged
to the appropriation for Sewing &c. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor April 30. 1861.

Ordered: That there be paid

April 29. 1861.

Dunham.

to Josiah Dunham the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars, for so much of the land taken to widen Allen Street, by a Resolve approved by the Mayor Oct. 23^d 1860 as belongs to the said Dunham, being a strip five feet in width bounded as follows: Beginning at the center line of Allen Street, there measuring Seventy three feet and $\frac{29}{100}$; Southwardly by land lying within said street formerly belonging to W. Fisher, five feet: Southwardly parallel to the center line aforesaid, seventy three feet and $\frac{29}{100}$; and Southwardly by land lying within said street formerly belonging to A. Gould, five feet: containing three hundred and sixty six square feet and $\frac{45}{100}$, more or less. The said sum to be paid to said Dunham upon his giving to the City a Deed for the said land and an acquittance and discharge in full from all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of the taking of the above described parcel or strip of land; and that the same is charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. And it is further ordered: That the order apparent in the Mayor November 28th 1860, to pay said Dunham two hundred and fifty dollars; and the order apparent April 23^d 1861, to pay said Dunham one hundred and twenty five dollars, be and the same hereby are, rescinded. Read twice and passed. Apparent to the Mayor Jan 31. 1861.

Armories

Ordered: That the room occupied by the following Military Companies be, and the same are, hereby approved as suitable places for Armories

for the term of one month, Company C. 2^d Battalion of Infan 27th
try, at Evelyn. This Company of Bow Men, commanded April 29, 1861
by Captain Andrew Baker, at Union Iron Works, Sumner
and Charter Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the
Mayor April 30, 1861

Ordered: That the Committee, Hamilton Street
on Bridges be and they are hereby authorized to repair and
repair the Hamilton Street Bridge at an expense not
exceeding twenty five hundred dollars, to be charged to the
appropriation for Bridges. Read twice and passed. Approved
by the Mayor April 30, 1861.

Ordered: That the Superintendent, Forbes
of Health be and he is hereby authorized to tender to Coast Guard
A. B. Forbes, Esq. the use of the city land at North Street that
at such time as may not inconvenience the City business,
for the purpose of drilling the Coast Guard under his com-
mand. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
April 30, 1861.

Ordered: That there be paid, Liberty
to Cornelius Liberty, the sum of fifty seven hundred and
thirty and ⁸⁰/₁₀₀ dollars, for land taken to widen North Street, and
for loss of rent and all other damages occasioned thereby,
upon his giving to the city a Bond for the same, and an
acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for widening North Street. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor April 30, 1861.

On petition of Charles Alinot

April 29, 1866
Alinot
Gulbrun Street.

for leave to construct a drain to the Gulbrun Street sewer from estate N° 115, on said street, the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioner have leave to construct said drain on condition that he or his successor in interest shall make no claim for exemption from any assessment which may be hereafter made for construction of a sewer in Gulbrun Street. Read and accepted.

Smith

On petition of Henry L. Smith

for leave to occupy a portion of Third Street near K street with a wooden building for ice house the Committee on Sewers reported that the prayer of the petition is granted. Read and accepted.

Board

The Ordinance, submitted at

the last meeting of this Board, providing for the choice of an additional assessor in case of illness or physical disability was read a second time and was rejected: the passage of the same being unnecessary in view of the previous action of the Board on the subject.

Back Bay
Commissioners

The Ballots having been taken

and counted for five Back Bay commissioners, it appeared that Jonathan Foster, Daniel Davis, and John S. Richardson were chosen.

Board

The ballot having been taken

and counted for the additional assessor provided for by Ordinance passed this day, as recorded on page 27, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 12. Necessary for choice of Jonathan Mayson had 6. John S. Richardson 3. Daniel

Jackson 2. Edward F. Hall 1. and there was no choice. A second ballot was then taken with the following result. Isaac number 12. Choosing for choice. Matthias Snyper had 8. John Richardson 3. George Jackson 1. It said Snyper was chosen by this Board. Sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Eighth Street between K and L Streets and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more ample means, shall receive any benefit thereby. Any person, making objection thereto, will then and there be heard.

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Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in 9. Street between Fourth and 5th Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more ample means, shall receive any benefit thereby. Any person, making objection thereto, will then and there be heard.

by any more simple means, shall receive any benefit thereby.
 April 29, 1861. - any person, making objections thereto, will then and there
 be heard.

Franklin
 Street

Whereas, by a Resolve, passed
 the thirteenth day of April 1861, a certain parcel of land,
 therein described, was taken on Franklin Street, and the
 same was laid out as a public street or way of said City,
 it is therefore Ordered, that due notice is given to the City
 Associates, Ebenezer Clapp, Francis Godfrey, & His, and all other
 persons interested in said premises, whether owners, tenants, occupants,
 or otherwise, in said land, that they cut off, pull down, re-
 move and carry away all buildings, erections and ob-
 structions of every sort standing on and projecting over the
 lines of said Franklin Street, as established by the Record
 aforesaid, or move and set back the same to the said line,
 and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken
 as aforesaid, on or before the eighth day of May now next
 ensuing. And in furtherance thereof, the City of Fall River
 directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land,
 and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions stand-
 ing on and projecting over the lines of said Franklin Street,
 as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled
 down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and
 set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated,
 and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on
 laying out and widening streets.

Said Street
 and Third
 Street.

Whereas it appears to the
 Board that a nuisance exists on said land and Third
 Street caused by an obstructed drain on said premises

known to James C. Smith & others A.D. 1861. 281
Luis, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants. April 29, 1861.
hence, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health
be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated
by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense
of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have
neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No 19 Spring Street
caused by water in cellar on said premises, belonging to John
Quinn which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants;
it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and
he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by
removing the water from said cellar at the expense of said party,
who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to
abate said nuisance.

Petition was received from Samuel D. Crane asking for appointment of a committee to
investigate a charge of alleged indiscretion on his part while
an Alderman of the city wherein the city was the loser of
several thousand dollars. Read and laid on the table.

Ordered: That there be paid to the Fifty Associates the sum of fifty three hundred and
one, or land taken to widen Franklin Street, and for all
damages which may accrue to owners or any other person
in consequence of the removal of the building of the said
Fifty Associates on the corner of Washington and Franklin
Streets, and all other damages of any nature whatsoever, upon

282. | their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for the same and for all damages, cost and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening Franklin Street. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the sixth day of May, Anno Domini, 1861.
Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Juras

Four Grand and three Petit Juras drawn for the United States Circuit Court.

Norton

Petition of Albert Norton for leave to give an exhibition of the Tullon shield at and south Boston and in the City Proper. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Cobb

Petition of Moses G. Cobb for a suitable license for a new Light Illuminating Company. Referred to the Committee on Amusements.

and other that were that be found from L. to C. that be May 6. 1861
ferred to the Committee on Streets. Doe.

On nomination by the Mayor Constable
James M. Lolliver was appointed and confirmed as a Con-
stable of this City.

On nomination by the Mayor Special
William P. Sanborn was appointed and confirmed as a Special
Police Officer at Liverpool Wharf. Police

On nomination by the Mayor Men
H. C. Bulman and E. M. Johnson were appointed and confirmed
as Police Officers of this City with all the powers of constables ex-
cept the "power" of serving and executing civil process.

On motion of Alderman Rice, Men
the nomination of Henry A. Gurney as a Police Officer of this
City was taken from the table and was confirmed to the Board.

Agreeably to the Board of En- Fire
gineers of the Fire Department the discharge of Simon F. New- Department
all from Engine No. 4 and of Charles F. Newall from Engine No. 6.
were confirmed by the Board.

On petition of the Metropolitan Metropolitan
Railroad Company for a permanent location of their track as Railroad
now temporarily located in Essex Street, Harrison Avenue and
Lynn Street - also to have to extend their location from the cor-
ner of Cornhill and Washington Street, over the track of the Mil-
lbury Railroad to Haymarket Square thence through Haymarket
Square, Canal or Northwell and Broadway Street to and over

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the track of the Cambridge Railroad on Portland Street thence
 May 6/1867 through said Tremont Street to the track of the Middlesex Rail
 Road in Sudbury Street thence over the Middlesex Rail Road
 through Milton and Court Street and Tremont Row to the track
 of the Metropolitan Rail Road at Scollay's Building or contin-
 uing from Canal as above set forth thence through Causeway
 Street and over the track of the Cambridge Rail Road to Green-
 ough Street thence through Everett Street to Green Street thence
 through Green Street Bowdoin Square Court Street Tremont Row and
 over the track of the Middlesex Railroad at Scollay's Build-
 ing or through Portland Street and over said Cambridge Rail
 Road through Chardon Street Bowdoin Square Court Street
 Tremont Row and over track of the Middlesex Railroad at
 Scollay's Building it is Ordered That due notice be given
 to the attornies on the sides therein mentioned, and to the
 Cambridge and Middlesex Railroad Companies that this Court
 will on Wednesday the twenty ninth day of May instant at
 12 o'clock M. take into consideration the expediency of grant-
 ing the prayer of said petition, when any parties interested
 therein may appear and be heard.

Suffolk

Railroad

On petition of the Suffolk
 Rail Road Company to have to extend their location with
 in this City to the construction of track in Cambridge Street
 from Portland to Everett Streets thence through Everett & Green
 Streets to Bowdoin Square thence in Bowdoin Square and in
 Court Street to Sudbury Street with permission to connect with
 the track of the Middlesex Railroad Company at the junction
 of said Court and Sudbury Streets thence on the track of the
 Middlesex Railroad in Court Street to connect with their pre-

ent track as now located in said Court Street, thence on the
west side of Kelley's building; and for permission to connect
with the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad Company at the
head of Court Street as an alternate, commencing at the inter-
section of Court Street and Court Street, thence in rear and in
Chardon Street (with permission to enter upon and use the tracks
of the Cambridge Railroad Company) to Bowdoin Square: it
is Ordered: That due notice be given to the abutters on the streets
therein mentioned and to the Cambridge and Metropolitan
Railroad Companies, that this Board will on Wednesday the
twenty ninth of May instant at 3 1/2 o'clock P.M., take into con-
sideration the expediency of granting the prayer of said petition,
when any parties who object thereto may appear and be
heard.

On petition of the Cambridge
Railroad Company for extension of their tracks in Chardon Street
towards Bowdoin Square for about one hundred and twenty
feet: it is Ordered: That due notice be given to the abut-
ters on said portion of Chardon Street that this Board will
on Monday the twenty seventh day of May instant at
four o'clock P.M., take into consideration the expediency of gran-
ting the prayer of the said petition, when any parties who ob-
ject thereto may appear and be heard.

The Common Council
Having elected George Jackson as an Assessor in place of
Jonathan Taylor, who was chosen by the Town and ac-
tion came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been
taken and counted for said Assessor it appeared that the
whole number of ballots was 12. That any person of Jonathan

Cambridge
Railroad

Assessor

286. Nayson Had 7. George Jackson 4 John L. Richardson 1. To said
Nayson was chosen on the part of this Board. sent down for
concurrence.

Per Diem
Assessor

A communication from Thomas
Cass wherein he resigns the office of Per Diem Assessor to which
he was elected by the City Council. In Common Council.
Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and
this Board concurred therein.

Per Diem
Assessor.

The Common Council having
chosen Thomas A. Mathews as a Per Diem Assessor in place
of Thomas Cass, resigned, said action came up for concurrence
and the ballots having been taken and counted for said
Assessor it appeared that said Mathews was elected in con-
currence.

First
Regiment

The Committee on the Military
Fund to whom was referred the order relative to the pay-
ment of Fifteen hundred dollars to each of the companies of
the First Regiment, beg leave to Report: That in view of
action already taken by this Committee in providing uniforms
for the First Regiment, no further provision therefor is necessary.
To the Committee, Thomas E. Rich, Chairman. In Common Coun-
cil. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred.

Resolution
Director -
death of

A communication was receiv-
ed from the Board of Directors for Public Institutions an-
nouncing the death of Pelham Berney, Esq, a member of said
Board, which took place on the twenty ninth ultimo. Read and
sent down. By Common Council. Read on file.

On motion of Alderman Spinney 28th

the Board voted to proceed to ballot for a member to fill the
above mentioned vacancy, and the ballot having been taken
and counted, it appeared that Ezra A. Baker was chosen. En-
dorsed for concurrence. May 9. Came up concurred.

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Institution

Director

The City Registrar reported
to the Board that he had received in his official capacity
during the last quarter two hundred and fifty three dollars
and fifty cents all of which had been paid to the City Treas-
urer. Sent down. By Common Council. Placed on file.

City

Registrar

The Hayweigner of the North
Carolina reported that he had received during the last quar-
ter five hundred and twenty eight dollars, fifty percent of
which had been paid to the Association for burning United
Schools, as per order of the City Council. Sent down. By Common
Council. Placed on file.

Hayweigner

The Port Physician reported that
he had received during the last quarter thirty five dollars,
which had been paid to the City Treasurer. Read and sent
down. By Common Council. Placed on file.

Port

Physician

The City Clerk reported that he
had received during the last quarter in his official capacity
three hundred and thirty seven dollars, which had been paid
to the City Treasurer. Sent down. By Common Council. Placed on file.

City

Clerk

May 1861.

Barnes

ordered to consider and report upon the expediency of providing public bathing establishments in the city have attended to that duty and respectfully report that in their opinion it is not expedient for the City to undertake such an enterprise at the present time and they request to be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. In the Committee, Samuel Hulse, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 9 came up concurred.

Hinchell

Ordered: That Edward

H. Knowlton of Natick, in the County of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, be and he is authorized, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to enter upon and into the land and premises described in a certain deed of mortgage given to F. S. Hinchell of Natick and sold to said City of Boston, dated Oct. 1. 1856, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Southern District in said County of Middlesex Lib. 77, p. 186, in a track of the condition of said deed of mortgage to the said Hinchell, the mortgage, and for the purpose of executing the same to release the same. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 9 came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 11. 1861.

Hutchinson

Ordered: That Edward Hinchell

of Natick, in the County of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, be and he is authorized, in the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to enter upon and into the land and premises described in a certain deed of mortgage given to Nathan Haynes of Framingham in the County and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dated and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Southern District in said County of Middlesex Lib. 77, p. 186, in a track of the condition of said deed of mortgage to the said Haynes, the mortgage, and for the purpose of executing the same to release the same. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 9 came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 11. 1861.

memorandum to said City of Boston, dated September 15. 1856, 289.
and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Southern May 11. 1861
District in said County of Middlesex, Lib. 513, fol. 80, for a breach
of the condition of said deed of mortgage to the same name,
the mortgage, and for the purpose of perfecting the right to
redeem the same. And twice and several times duly recon-
currence. May 9. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
May 11. 1861.

Ordered: That Edward F. Bent.

Recorder of Natick, in the County of Middlesex and Com-
monwealth of Massachusetts, be, and hereby is authorized, in
the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to enter upon and
into the land and premises described in a certain deed of
mortgage given by J. M. Bent of Heyland, in the County
and Commonwealth aforesaid, to said City of Boston dated
Oct. 1. 1856, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the
Southern District in said County of Middlesex, Lib. 798, fol. 593,
for a breach of the conditions of said deed of mortgage by the
said Bent the mortgage, and for the purpose of perfecting
the right to redeem the same. And twice and several times duly recon-
currence. May 9. Came up concurred. Approved by
the Mayor May 11. 1861.

Ordered: That Edward F. Hammond

Recorder of Natick in the County of Middlesex, and Com-
monwealth of Massachusetts, be, and hereby is authorized, in
the name and behalf of the City of Boston, to enter upon and
into the land and premises described in a certain deed of mort-
gage given by James F. Hammond and wife L. Anne of Hey-
land, in the County and Commonwealth aforesaid to said

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May 6. 1861. City of Boston, dated April 1. 1855, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the Southern District in said County of Middlesex, Lib. 713. Vol. 21. for a breach of the condition of said deed of mortgage to the said Sumner and Howe, his heirs, and assigns, for the purpose of foreclosing the right to redeem the same. And read and passed. Put down for concurrence. May of same year concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 11. 1861.

Public
Institution. Ordered: That the Committee on Education be requested to define the duties of the Committee on Public Institutions. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 8. 1861.

Public
Lands. On motion of Alderman Ingersoll the Board took from the table an ordinance to amend the ordinance in relation to Public Lands, so that it shall be the duty of the Superintendent of Public Lands to file a copy of a plan with respect to each lot in case of sale of Public Lands; the question being on the passage of said ordinance the Board concurred with the common council in the adoption of the same. Approved by the Mayor, May 8. 1861.

Seat. The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Mary Ann Seat to be compensated for personal injuries sustained from an alleged defect in a carriage that she was riding in, and she was unable to sustain her claim by identifying the place where she received her injuries and it being that impossible to determine whether a defect in the carriage really existed, the Committee recommended

and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Com- 291
mittee. Silas Rice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for
concurrence. May 9. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Claims, Brown
to whom was referred the petition of Thomas P. Brown to be com-
pensated for personal injuries sustained by him from an alleged
defect in the sidewalk of Tremont Street, by leave to recom-
mend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the commit-
tee Silas Rice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concu-
rence. May 9. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the following
bill for materials or labor furnished by persons connected direct-
ly or indirectly with the City Government, be paid, provided
they are approved, audited and allowed in the usual manner,
viz: Alvin Clark, one hundred and fourteen dollars and seven
cents and two one dollar and forty eight cents. Pierce Brothers
and Chandler, twenty eight dollars and thirty five cents. - nine
dollars and forty nine cents. William A. Clark thirty four dollars
and twenty cents and two dollars and seventy cents. Buckle
and Brewster, one hundred dollars, and twelve dollars and
eight cents. David Martin fifty five dollars and fourteen
cents. J. H. Wendworth Jr. twelve dollars and sixty nine cents. For
a common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor, May 8. 1861.

No person appearing to ob-
ject to the proposed construction of a sewer in E. Street from
Tenth to Fifth Streets, said subject was committed to the
committee on Sewers.

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Then

Street

Eight

Street

Cambridge

Street

Resolved

No person appearing to object

to the proposed construction of a sewer in Thiers Street between Grand & Small, and subject was recommended to the committee on Sewers.

No person appearing to object

to the proposed construction of a sewer in Eighth Street between Grand & Small, and subject was recommended to the committee on Sewers.

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The Cambridge Street, be-

tween Chambers Street and Temple Street, is to be repaired, it is hereby ordered, that the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owner and abutter of lots numbered 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, and 66, on said Cambridge Street, to furnish materials to support the sidewalk in front of their respective lots. And that in default thereof the same will be done by the city at their expense according to law.

Ordered: That the rooms occupied

by the following Corps be, and they hereby are approved as suitable places for the deposit of arms, viz: that occupied by the Tenth Regiment, commanded by Col. C. C. Rice, at the Providence Rail Road Station; that occupied by the Fourth Battalion of Rifles, commanded by Major General, comprising companies A, B, and D, in Nassau Hall at the corner of Washington and Common Streets; and that occupied by the company commanded by Capt. B. C. Allen at the corner of Marlborough and Sudbury Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 8, 1861.

Ordered: That the committee 293

on the Department and that are ready authorized to purchase the
the thousand feet of land and the patent action. The the
expense of the same not to exceed fifty five hundred dollars.
the same to be charged to the appropriation for the Depart-
ment. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 8
1861

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay the Fifty Associates sixty three thou-
and three hundred taken to water Franklin Street was read
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 8. 1861.

Whereas it appears to this Board West Centre
that a nuisance exists on the corner of West Centre and Pinckney
Street caused by stagnant water in cellar on said premises,
belonging to Joshua Bennett which is dangerous to the health
of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered that the Superintendent
of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance
to be abated by removing said water by draining or other
means, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly noti-
fied by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Holden
Board that a nuisance exist in Holden Court caused by
floating trash and filth on said premises, belonging to Jos-
ua Bennett, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants,
it is hereby ordered that the Superintendent of Health be, and
he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by re-
moving said dirt and filth and directing the trash to be carried

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May 6. 1861. at the expense of said party who having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Aye

On petition of Nathaniel J. Nye to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Lee Street, the committee on Paving reported that they have been unable to adjust the claim of the petitioner and they ask to be discharged from its consideration. Read and accepted.

Yield

Yield

On petition of David S. Williams that Union Street may be put into a suitable condition for public travel the committee on Paving reported that the petition is unavailing and that the same be dismissed. Read, accepted and agreed accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. They concurred.

Yield

Yield

On petition of John D. Dutton & that all the land from Union Street to Lee Street may be added to the railroad track be annexed, the committee on Paving reported that it is imprudent to take any action thereon this year. Read & accepted.

Aye

On petition of Berchard Adams to have to open a cellar doorway on Washington and Union Street the committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Yield

On petition of A. C. B. B. and others that Southampton Street between Washington and Union Street may be closed. Read that the committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Seth H. Fiske 245.

and others that Surger Street may be graded and accepted, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to take any action on the same this year. Read and accepted.

On petition of Middlesex Rail Road Company for an extension of their location through Portland 246.

and Cambridge and Cambridge Street the Committee on Paving reported that they wish to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Josiah Dunham 247.

Dunham and others that Broadway and Sixth Streets may be graded, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to take any action thereon this year. Read and accepted.

On the remonstrance of Henry W. Williams 248.

Williams and others against the new location of the Court House on the Public Garden, the Committee on the Common reported that no action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Common 249.

leave was granted to J. Fiske to exhibit his Memorial on the Public Garden, June 3. c. and; on condition that he pay two hundred dollars for and liable in addition to expense of Police. Read and accepted.

On petition of Thomas P. King 250.

King and others that West Centre Street may be graded and accepted, the Committee on Paving reported an order as follows: That the name of West Centre Street which shall

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May 6 1861. run from Pinckney Street to Cambridge Street be changed to
that of ^{A.} Chippen Street, and that it be hereafter known and
called. Read twice and talked.

Court

Square

Resolved, That the safety
and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that a
portion of Court Square required for the Court House Extension
should be discontinued as a public street or way of the
said city, bounded as follows, viz: Beginning at the South-
westerly corner of the present Court House lot; thence running
southwardly in the direction of the outside line of the present
fence line extended, fourteen feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; thence Eastwardly
by a line parallel with the present Southern end of the
Court House, fifty five feet; thence Northwardly parallel
with the line first above described, fourteen feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; and
thence Westwardly by the Southern end of the Court House
Portico as shown on the Plan hereinafter agreed to, fifty
five feet to the point of beginning; containing nine hundred
and fifty eight square feet and $\frac{7}{100}$, more or less. And that
as, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board
to discontinue the said portion of Court Square as appears by
the return herewith annexed, it is therefore Ordered that the
parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is,
discontinued as a public street or way of the said city ac-
cording to a plan of the same made by James Glade, City En-
gineer dated April 15th 1861 and deposited in the office of
the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board do hereby certify
that the expense of the said discontinuance as aforesaid will
amount to nothing. Read once

Ordered: That the Superin-

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tendent of Streets be authorized to repair Bedford Street at its junction with Chauncy Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost three hundred dollars. Read once.

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Bedford
Street

Ordered: That the Super-

Mason
Street

tendent of Streets be authorized to repair Mason Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost one thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superin-

Chauncy
Street

tendent of Streets be authorized to repair Chauncy Street near Summer Street and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and

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May 6. 1861. those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost five hundred dollars. Read once.

Levinshire

Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to pave Levinshire Street from
Harrison Street to Hinthrap Square, and Hinthrap Square,
in conformity with the established grade, and remove all
such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem
dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street not re-
quired in accordance with the Ordinances of the City, and
those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to
become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants
have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Esti-
mated cost two thousand dollars. Read once.

Chapman
Place

Ordered: That the Superin-

tendent of Streets be authorized to repair Chapman Place,
and make no change in the grade of said Street, as
he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections
on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also
to close all openings into said Street, which are not re-
quired in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and
those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to be-
come dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have
refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost
three hundred dollars. Read once.

Fifth
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to grade Fifth Street between the

London and New York Central Rail Road Bridge and La. 244.
under Avenue, the abutments thereon having relinquished claims May 6. 1861
to grade damages. Read once.

Whereas, it appears to this
Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer,
in Eighth Street, between K and L Street, and that public notice
of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the
Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct
a Common Sewer in said Eighth Street between K and L Street,
and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board,
pursuant to law. Read once.

Eighth
Street

Whereas, it appears to this
Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer
in Athens Street, between B and C Streets, and that public
notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Or-
dered That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is here-
by directed to construct a Common Sewer in said Athens Street
between B and C Streets, and to report a schedule of the
expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Athens
Street

Whereas, it appears to this
Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer
in L Street, between Fourth and Fifth Streets, and that public
notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Or-
dered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is here-
by directed to construct a Common Sewer in said L Street
between Fourth and Fifth Streets and to report a schedule
of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read
once.

L
Street

Ordered: That the Super-

May 6. 1861 | intendent of Sewers be and he is ordered to construct a
 | Devonshire Common Sewer in Devonshire Street and Old Race as ask-
 | ed for in the petition of James H. Nickerson, he agrees to
 | give three quarters of the expense of the same.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at three o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
 Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wed-
 nesday the eighth day of May, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Paul.

Unanimously

Six Jurors were drawn
 for the first session of the Superior Court.

Nickerson

Petition of Leornardus Nickerson

Resolved

That the amount expended by the City for the recovery of the
 body of James Nickerson may be paid to him, the finder of
 said body. Resolved to the Committee on Claims and then taken
 for concurrence. May 9. Came up concurred.

Agreeably to assignment 301.

the Board took up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Broadway railroad in the street indicated in the order of notice issued on the tenth second of April last. - Samuel W. Bates, Esq. appeared for said said road company, and George Putnam and E. H. Chandler appeared in behalf of abutters on Summer and Winter Streets, who unanimously object to the location of tracks therein. - John B. Parker appeared for himself & neighbors who oppose the location through West Street. After listening to the testimony introduced by the petitioners and answers thereto, and hearing the arguments of the respective counsel, the subject was recommended to the Committee on Parking - and the Board.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the thirtieth day of May Anno Domini 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Fay.

Alight Increase Shaw Clerk for the Superior Court (criminal term) June

Ordinance of S. C. Guild that Guild suitable drainage be provided for house No. 83 Suffolk Street.

302. Referred to the Committee on Back Bay.

May 13, 1861.

Artillery & Artillery Co.

Artillery Co.

Petition of Ancient and Hon-

orable Artillery Company for use of Faneuil Hall and the Common on the third day of June next for their Annual Parade. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall and Common.

Art

Petition of J. Rowland Hunt

and others that the Spring Street sewer near Everett Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Art

Artillery

Artillery

Petition of James A. H. H.

and others against the location of the Broadway Rail Road in Bedford or West Street. Referred to the Committee on Faring.

Second Church

Petition of Second Church

against any Horse railroad location in Bedford Street. Referred to the Committee on Faring.

Art

Petition of Joseph A. H.

paid for damages sustained by his estate from change of grade on W. Street. Referred to the Committee on Faring.

Art

Petition of Joseph Curtis and others

that Green Street may be made passable at the earliest moment possible. Referred to the Committee on Faring.

Demand

Petition of C. Demand to be paid

damages sustained in change of grade in Green Street. Referred to the Committee on Faring.

that said subject case may be granted. Referred to May 1. 1811.
the Committee on Paving. M. M.

The Mayor communicated the following letter:—To Hon: Joseph H. Knightman, Mayor of city of Boston. Sir, The contributors to the fund for procuring a bust of John Quincy Adams, to be placed in Faneuil Hall, having procured one from the chisel of our fellow citizen, John G. Loring, which they esteem a beautiful and impressive likeness of that illustrious statesman & patriot, and of eminent merit as a work of art, respectfully deliver it into your hands, that it may be deposited in the hall of liberty, in perpetual memorial of the virtues of a great and good man, and of the veneration and gratitude of his countrymen. And perhaps no time could be more appropriate than this, when the waves of a gigantic revolution are surging against the foundations of the Constitution and of law and liberty throughout our native land, to present for public view, in our sacred shrine of patriotism, the image of one whose father stood among the foremost in their establishment, and who, the worthy son & a noble son was ever preeminently at all times and places the courageous, eloquent and patriotic defender of the honor of his country and of the fundamental principles of constitutional liberty and law. We have, Sir, the honor to be in behalf of the contributors, Your respectfully obedt Servts. Edward S. Philbrick, James Lawrence. William T. Andrews. Charles G. Loring. Read and referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

John Quincy
Adams

Aug 12. 1861
Hingham
begs leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 157 Morning-
ton Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

Beckford

Petition of G. H. Beckford

for appointment as Auctioneer at 46 Hanover Street. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

Harlow

Petition of L. D. Harlow for

leave to run a line of coaches from Fore Street to Chatham
Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

Constables

On nomination by the Mayor,

William Andrew and Michael Sullivan are appointed con-
stables of this city.

City Clerk

On nomination by the Mayor,

George Hill was appointed and sworn as City Clerk until
May 1st 1862.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor

Stephen Curtis and John Pyles are appointed and confirm-
ed as Police Officers of the City of Boston, with all the powers
of constables except the power of serving and executing civil
process.

Simpson

The Committee on the Harbor.

in answer

to whom was referred the petition of George H. Simpson to be
paid for damage done to Commerce Oriented in Boston Harbor.
Have considered the same and beg leave to Report: That they
find the rocks upon which the Chances are exposed to be in
their natural position, and that they are therefore not an
artificial obstruction for which the City would be responsible.

even if they lay in the ordinary sailing passage for vessels, 305.

which is not the case. They therefore recommended that the
petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Nehemiah
Gibson, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concu-
rence. May 16. Came up concurred.

May 13. 1861.

The Common Council have before
them elected George Jackson as an Assessor in place of Jonathan
Noyson who was chosen by this Board, said action came
up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and
counted for said assessor it appeared that the whole num-
ber of ballots was 11. Necessary for choice 6. George Jackson had 4. Jonathan
Noyson 4. John S. Richardson 3. No choice. The Board
proceeded to a second ballot with the following result: whole
number 11. Necessary for choice 6. George Jackson had 4. Jonathan
Noyson 4. John S. Richardson 3. No choice. The Board proceeded
to a third ballot with the following result: whole number
11. Necessary for choice 6. George Jackson had 3. Jonathan Noy-
son 5. John S. Richardson 3. No choice. The Board proceeded to
a fourth ballot with the following result: whole number of
ballots 11. Necessary for choice 6. Jonathan Noyson 3. George Jackson
4. John S. Richardson 4. No choice. The Board proceeded to
a fifth ballot with the following result: whole number 11. Nec-
essary for choice 6. George Jackson had 2. John S. Richardson 3.
Jonathan Noyson 6. So said Noyson was chosen by this
Board. Sent down for concurrence.

An ordinance entitled "An
Ordinance concerning the House of Representatives" submitted
by the Chairman of a Branch of the House of Repre-
sentatives for review at New Haven: also several other matters

House of
Representatives

306. Council to the Committee on Education. Came up for con-
currence Read and concurred.

May 13. 1861

Female

and. 1861

The Committee on Finance

having duly considered the petition of the Trustees of the
New England Female Medical College, referred to them by
the order of the City Council of the twenty fifth of April last
and to recommend to the Council to grant the prayer thereof
in part, and hereby annex an order to carry out their recom-
mendation. For the Committee, Joseph M. Fishman, Chairman.
Ordered: That the petition of the Trustees of the New Eng-
land Female Medical College of the twenty second of April
last, be so far granted as to authorize the Treasurer to re-
ceive from said Trustees, in exchange for their existing bond
to the City, five hundred and sixty two dollars in cash
and a new bond for the balance, payable in ten equal
annual instalments, with interest at six percent per annum.
Said new bond, and all other documents relating to this ex-
change to be approved by the City Solicitor. Passed in Com-
mon Council. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred.
Approved by the Mayor, May 15. 1861

Frederic M. Tracy

Frederic M. Tracy, City and

County Treasurer submitted to the Board his annual ac-
count for the year 1860. Referred to the Committee on the
Treasury Department. Sent down for concurrence May 16 came
up concurred.

House of
Education

Deer Island

Ordered: That the two upper

floors of the building on Deer Island be and
the same are hereby made a part of the House of Education
for the County of Suffolk and put under the care and con-

lot of the State of the House of Correction for the purposes
of that Institution. Read twice and referred to the committee
on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island.

A communication was re-
ceived from Albert Wright from a Committee of men for
Haud 12 suggesting that a systematic mode of relief for the
families of Soldiers belonging to Boston, who have gone to
the seat of War be established, in order that the Charities
of our citizens for such a purpose may be properly organized.
was read and referred to Aldermen May and Thorton with
such as the Common Council may join to consider and
report thereon. Sent down for concurrence. May 16. Came up con-
curred and Messrs. Richards, Van and Whitney were joined.

Wright
relief for
military

Ordered: That His Honor
the Mayor be requested to petition the General Court for ad-
ditional legislation for the protection of the Under Works. Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 16. Came
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1861.

Under
Works

Ordered: That the Commit-
tee on Ordinances be requested to provide by ordinance that
the Port Physician shall be the resident physician to any & all char-
itable or reformatory Institutions of the City at Deer Island,
and that provision be also made for the employment of assis-
tants to enable said Port Physician to perform all these duties,
if such course should be necessary. Read twice and passed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Port Physician
duties of

Ordered: That the Assess-

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Phillips

St. L.

now be directed not to allow any Street, Sanitary or Tax bills to be taken from the City Hall after the usual street duty is performed. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That the Commis-

Lora Street

house to sell.

be on the part of the Board of Aldermen be authorized to sell house No. 17, Lora Street to Eben T. Gay for the sum of six thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 16. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 17, 1861.

Phillips

School House

The Committees on Public

Buildings and Public Instruction, to whom was referred the subject of the location of the new Phillips School House, beg leave to Report: That, in view of the great expense which would be involved in making an entire change of location, and of the probability of greatly improving the South Street site, they consider it wise to proceed with the building at the corner of West Centre and South Streets. The arrangements for improving this site include the purchase of a lot in the rear of the South Street Church and at the side of the school lot, at an expense of four thousand dollars, and a bond on the part of the Church not to raise their building beyond its present height. An agreement is also made that whenever the City shall desire, the owners of the Church will permit the removal of their building fifteen feet west of its present position, at an expense to the City of one thousand dollars besides the cost of removal. And if it shall be found that the light on the west side of the school-house is

insufficient an opportunity will be at hand for increasing it 309.
so as to be ample on that side; while the purchase of the lot May 13, 1861
in the rear of the church will give sufficient light to the back
part of the school-house, beside increasing the yard room. For
these reasons, the Committee recommend the passage of the ac-
companying order. For the Committee, Jona. Preston, Chairman
of Buildings. Thomas C. May, Chairman of Public Educa-
tion. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be
requested to cause work on the new Phillips School House
to be resumed, and that they have authority to negotiate with
the Twelfth Baptist Church and purchase the lot of land
in the rear of their church for a sum not exceeding four thou-
sand dollars, and to procure a bond from said church not to
raise their building beyond its present height; the same to
be charged to the appropriation for the erection of the Phillips
School House. Passed in Common Council. Came up for con-
currence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May
15, 1861.

Ordered: That due notice be
given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock,
P.M., take into consideration the expediency of construct-
ing a common sewer in Sixth Street between E. and L.
Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons,
who may enter their particular claims into such common
sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive
any benefit thereby: no person making objections thereto,
will then and there be heard.

Sixth
Street.

Whereas Cambridge Street be- Cambridge
tween Chambers Street and Temple Street is to be repaired, Street

316 it is hereby ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify
May 13. 1861 the owners and abutters of lots No 12 and 17 on Midham
Bridge Street, and the heirs of the late Dr. Shattuck, owners of
lots on the corner of Cambridge and Hanford Street, to
furnish new edgestone to support the sidewalk in front of
their respective lots. And that in default thereof the same
will be done by the City at their expense according to law.

Market

The Superintendent of the
Market reported that for the quarter ending April 30 he had
received and paid into City Treasury a sum for Taxes to
wits thirteen thousand one hundred and twenty five dollars and
ten cents. Read and placed on file.

Fifth

Street

The order submitted to the
Board on the sixth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to
grade Fifth Street between the Railroad Bridge and Lincoln
Square was read a second time and passed. Approved by the
Mayor May 15. 1861.

Eighth Street

sewer

The order submitted to the
Board on the sixth instant for the construction of a com-
mon sewer in Eighth Street between K and I streets was
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
May 15. 1861.

Albion Street

sewer.

The order submitted to the Board
on the sixth instant for the construction of a sewer in Albion
Street between Bond and C. streets was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor May 15. 1861.

The order submitted to the Board 311
on the sixth instant for the construction of a lane in 2^d lot from South to Fifth street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Board May 15 1861

The order submitted to the Board
on the sixth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to pave
Garrison Street from Franklin Street to Knithop Square, and
Knithop Square: was read a second time and passed. Ap-
proved by the Board May 15. 1861.

The order submitted to the
Board on the sixth instant for the Superintendent of Streets
to repave Chapman Place was read a second time and pass-
ed. Approved by the Board May 15. 1861

The order submitted to the
Board on the sixth instant for the Superintendent of Streets
to repave Chauncy Street near Summer Street, was read a
second time and passed. Approved by the Board May 15. 1861.

The bond of James M. Dolliver,
a constable, having been approved by the City Treasurer, was
approved by the Board. Said bond was also approved by
the Mayor, May 15. 1861.

The resolve and order submit-
ted to the Board on the sixth instant for the discontinuance
of a portion of Court Square adjacent to the county court House,
were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
May 15. 1861.

The order submitted to the Board on the sixth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Main Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 15. 1861.

Bulford Street.

The order submitted to the Board on the sixth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Bulford Street at its junction with Chauncey Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 15. 1861.

Fort
Physician's
House

Ordered: That the dwelling house now and for a long time occupied by the Fort Physician at Fort Stand be and the same is hereby established by this Board as the residence of said Fort Physician - and that the furniture in said house be allowed to said officer for his use and also that such a quantity of land adjacent to said house be set apart for the use of the said Physician as the committee on internal affairs shall deem necessary for garden purposes - read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 15. 1861.

Levenshine Street

The order submitted to the Board on the sixth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to construct a sewer in Levenshine Street and Elm Street, as asked by James M. Dale on condition he pay the cost of the same, was read a second time and laid on the table.

Armories

In conformity to the report of the committee on armories, the armories occupied by the volunteer corps under the command respectively of Geo. A. Lincoln

at 49 Summer Street - J. H. Kimpton at 25 Eliot Street, and Peter 313

J. Tripp at corner Elm and Hanover Streets, and John Rich May 13. 1861
murder at 677 Buckingham Street were appeared by the Board.

Agreeably to the report of the Packer
Committee on Common & Sewer was granted to David C. Packer
to exhibit a Telescope on the Common.

Leave was granted to it - Norton
but Norton to exhibit the "Lutton child" in East and South Boston
and in the City Proper.

Agreeably to the report of Nathan
the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to David P. Whit-
thens Esq to run a line of Coaches from Southrop through Jau-
loque, Bennington and Chelsea Streets, Murdock Square and
Grove Street over the East Boston Ferry, or through Sumner
Street over the Boston Ferry, through Commercial, Fleet, Han-
over, Court, Washington and Summer Streets to the Boston
Post Office: to return by the same route. (See May 15. 1861)

Whereas it appears to the South Margin
Board that a nuisance exists on premise No. 10 South Margin
Street caused or filled with refuse and dirt taken on
said premises, belonging to J. A. Quinn which is dangerous to the
health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Super-
intendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause
said nuisance to be abated by removing all filth, straw &c.
and boarding up doors and windows at the expense of said
party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to
abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this

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Coral
Place

Board that a nuisance exists in Coral Place caused by an obstructed & inefficient drain on said premises, belonging to John Templeton, Milton Fuller, E. H. Williams, Theo. Cushing, J. Hart & Lucia, J. B. Barnes, J. A. & Minnie, J. A. & Maria Moore, J. A. & Maria Steynen Lane, & A. Moore, Leopold Herman, J. M. Howard, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions & constructing a good and sufficient drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Richmond
Street.

Whereas it appears to this

Board that a nuisance exists in view of 43 and 44 Richmond Street caused by dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to Mr. C. H. Snow which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Coral-lar.

Gas
Company

The Committee on the Harbor to whom was referred the report of the Committee on the Harbor of 1860 upon a communication from the Harbor Master respecting deposits of coral-lar in the channel near the wharves at the north part of the City, have considered the same, and they have to Report: That, in their judgment, the deposit of coral-lar along the bed of the channel opposite the wharves

found very and its immediate neighborhood have given to
be a serious evil, which requires a speedy check. The character
of the deposit is such as to make it still more objectionable
than ordinary obstructions, on account of the difficulty which
would be experienced in removing it. The Committee therefore
recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Com-
mittee, Nehemiah Gibson, Chairman. Ordered; That due notice
be given to the Boston Gas Light Company, to discontinue the
practice of permitting coal-bins to escape from their premises into
the Harbor of Boston, and in case of failure to obey the notice,
that they be prosecuted according to law. Read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at three o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednes-
day the fifteenth day of May, Anno Domini, 1861.
Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Preston
and Pray.

Petition of Suffolk Rail Road	Suffolk
Company for an extension of time in which to construct a new	Rail Road
track at corner of Merington and Exeter Street. Referred	
to the Committee on Paving.	

Mar 15. 1861

Bugsby

Petition of W. H. Bugbee
that the Army occupied by the Corps under his com-
mand at No 385 Washington Street may be approved. Referred
to the Committee on Armories.

Wilson.

Petition of Joseph Wilson for
leave to move a wooden building from Foxchester Avenue to
Allen Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Coal-tax

The report and order submit-

Boston Gas
Light Co

led at the last meeting of the Board to notify the Boston
Gas Light Company to discontinue the practice of permitting
coal to escape from their premises into the Harbor of Boston
or that prosecution will ensue therefor, were read a second time
and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Marion
Avenue

Ordered: That the Chief of Po-
lice be directed to notify the owner or owners of the estate on
Marion Avenue corner of Seering Place to lay sidewalks
in front of said estate with brick within twenty days; and that
in default thereof the same will be done by the City at their
expense according to law.

Suffolk
Railroad

Agreeably to assignment the
Board took up the consideration of the petition of the Suffolk
Railroad Company for extension of their location in this City
through the streets described in the order of notice on said
petition issued on the 22^d of April last. Fa Park, Esq. appeared
on behalf of the Suffolk Railroad Company and stated to the
Board the wishes and purposes of said company: Seth Thomas
Esq. appeared in behalf of the Independent Railroad Company

and objected to the proposed use of their tracks by the Suffolk
corporation: no other remonstrant appearing in the matter. May 15. 1861.
after argument by the respective counsel, the subject was re-
committed to the Committee on Paving.

Agreeably to assignment the Suffolk
Board took up the subject of the proposed location of a track
in Friend Street from Union to Hancock Streets to accommodate
the Suffolk Railroad Company. Mr. Fish, Esq. appeared for the
Suffolk Railroad Company and stated the advantages of said
location to the residents of Lynn and Boston. No person appear-
ing to remonstrate against said measure the subject was re-
committed to the Committee on Paving.

On motion of Alderman House of
Rich the Board reconsidered the vote, whereby, at the last Correction.
meeting, an order to set apart two lots of land in the Town of Deer Island
Industrious at Deer Island was referred to the Committee on In-
stitution &c and said order was then laid on the table.

On motion of Alderman Amory Matthews
the Board reconsidered the vote, whereby at the last meeting,
a report was accepted giving leave to David C. Matthews
to run a line of locos from Winthrop through West Boston
and Boston to Summer Street and said report was com-
mitted to the Committee on Licenses.

On motion of Alderman Par-chippewa
menter the Board took from the table the order to change the street.
name of West Centre Street to Chippewa Street, and a motion
was made to amend the same by striking out the word "Chip-
pewa" and inserting "Anderson" before the question was taken
Anderson
street.

on the motion, the subject was laid on the table.

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In Hall

at 10

o'clock.

Whereas the Legislature by an Act passed the thirty first day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, authorized the owners of flats lying between West Boston Bridge and Liberty Mill Dam to extend their wharves and flats to the Commissioners' Line, provided that, within two years from the date of said act, the said owners should build their respective portions of a sea-wall on the said Commissioners' Line; and whereas the City of Boston is the proprietor of a strip of land bordering upon the said Commissioners' Line; now, therefore, it is Enacted: That the Committee on Laying out and widening Streets and the Committee on Paving of the said City of Boston, be and they are hereby invested with full power to contract for the construction of so much of the said sea wall, within the time above specified, as belongs to the said city to build by the provision of the said Act; and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for Streets and Paving. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at ten o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 319.

of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on
Monday the twentieth day of May, Anno Domini 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Thomas G. Hale and
others for abatement of a nuisance in Centre and Margin-
al Streets, East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Inter-
nal Health.

Petition of the Boston Gas
Light Company, for a hearing in relation to permits to other
gas companies to open the streets in this city. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Remonstrance of Charles Ful-
rey and others against the proposed change of grade in Gard-
ard Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Andrew Quincy
and others that a sewer be laid in North Street from Try-
on to Richmond Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of William Stanley
for an abatement of an assessment for construction of a
sewer in Quincy Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Amos S. Lawrence
to be paid or land taken to widen West Street. Referred to
the Committee on Streets.

Petition of James M. Jacobs

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Jacobs

and other East Street Square may be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Common R.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor,

Joseph Herman, William Stillborn, J. C. Kimmins were appointed Police Officers of the City of Boston with all the powers of constables except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor,

Anna E. Gurney was appointed a Captain of the Police Department.

Special

Police

On nomination by the Mayor,

Amos J. Hooper was appointed a Special Police Officer for the care of the Great Brewster Island.

Fire

Department

On nomination by the Mayor,

Park A. Mahoney was admitted a member of Engine Company No. 24. Walter Martin of Engine Company No. 6 and George L. Cooper of Hook and Ladder Company No. 3.

Thayer

Petition of Benjamin W. Thayer

to be compensated for injuries done to his property in the destruction of the same when used as an armory in the current year. Referred in Common Council to the joint committee on the Military Fund. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to the Committee on Armories.

Finckley

Thurston

Hornum

Messrs. Finckley, Thurston

and Company have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Thurston Avenue, in the city; and, in the opinion of the Board, the rights and con-

venience of the inhabitants require that the said avenue 321.

should be widened at the place described in the said May 20. 1861
notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given
to the said Finckley Williams & Company that this Board in-
and to widen the avenue before mentioned, by taking a
part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid,
and laying out the same as a public street - and that Mon-
day, the twelfth day of May instant at four o'clock,
P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which
may be made thereto.

No person appearing to object Sixth
to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Fifth Street be- Street.
tween C. and D. streets, said subject was recommended to
the Committee on Sewers.

A message was received from Harvards
the Common Council stating that vacancies exist in that for Ward
body occasioned by the resignations of John Hayes of Ward 3, meetings
and Edward P. Robinson of Ward 11. And thereupon -
Ordered: That Warrants be issued for a meeting of the legal Common Council
voters of Ward No. 3. in their Ward Room on Monday, the twen-
ty seventh instant at twelve o'clock, M. then and there to
give in their ballots for a member of the Common Council
from said Ward, in place of John Hayes, resigned. And for a
meeting of the legal voters of Ward No. 11, in their Ward room,
on the same day, and at the same time, to give in their
ballots for a member of the Common Council from said Ward
in place of Edward P. Robinson, resigned. The persons to be
chosen must be inhabitants of this City and residents within
their respective Wards. The files to be kept open until 3 o'clock, P.M.

May 20 1861. From Houlis N. Crane sending an appointment as a Principal Assessor. Read and sent down to Common Council. Placed on file.

Refer

The Common Council having elected Edward F. Robinson as Principal Assessor in place of Jonathan Nason who was chosen by the Board. Said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Assessor, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 12. Necessary for a choice 7. Edward F. Robinson had 3. Jonathan Nason 2. John D. Richardson 5. Houlis N. Crane 1. and George Jackson 1. and there was no choice. A second ballot was then taken with the following result, viz: Whole number of ballots 12. Necessary for choice 7. John D. Richardson had 7. Edward F. Robinson 3. Houlis N. Crane 1. Jonathan Nason 1. So said Assessor was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. (The election of this Assessor having been protracted beyond the time allowed by the ordinance would be illegal. See May 23. 1861.)

Nova Scotia.

Nova Scotia. In the House of Assembly 15th April, 1861. Moved by the Honorable Joseph Howe, seconded by the Honorable James W. Johnston, and Resolved, unanimously, "That the House of Assembly of Nova-Scotia have heard, with deep sorrow and regret, of the outbreak of civil war among their friends and neighbours in the United States. That the House, without expressing any opinion upon the points in controversy between the contending parties, sincerely lament that those who speak their language and share their civilization should be shedding each other's blood."

and done to give up that recent power to the Father of
the Universe for the "peace, union of peace" Read and
sent down. In common Council. Read on file

The Common Council
having amended the order, which passed this Board on the
thirteenth instant in relation to the taking of Street, Transfer
or Tax Book from the City Hall - by inserting at the end of it
the Principal "Assessors" said action came up for concurrence.
Read and this Board non-concurred therein. Sent down. May
23^d. The Common Council readied from said proposed amend-
ment and concurred with this Board in the passage of the
original order (as amended page 308) approved by the Mayor
May 24. 1861.

Assessors'
Tax Book

The Common Council hav-
ing amended the order, which passed this Board on the
thirteenth instant suggesting that an ordinance be passed
to require the Port Physician to be resident Physician to all
the reformatory institutions on Deer Island by taking out at
the word "provide" and inserting "consider the expediency of
providing" and said order as amended was then referred to the com-
mittee on institutions. Came up for concurrence. Read and this Board
concurred therein.

Port
Physician.

The Joint Standing Commit-
tee on the Treasury Department to whom were referred the
annual accounts of the city and county Treasurer for the
financial year ending April 30. 1861, having attended to the
duty assigned them to inspect and submit their Report. They have
examined the Treasurer's accounts and compared the entire

Treasurer's
accounts

324. therein with the vouchers and entries in the books, and have
found them correct and are satisfied that all sums paid
into the City Treasury during the past financial year are
there properly accounted for. The balance of cash, April 30, 1861,
was eight hundred and thirty two thousand nine hundred
and sixty six dollars and sixty one cents. The Committee also
examined the Note and Bonds that are due the City. These
notes are on time and interest, and have been received for
land or other property sold by the City, and are secured
by mortgage upon the property sold. They amount to the sum
of four hundred and forty two thousand eight hundred
and ninety seven dollars and seventy cents. Samuel Spinner,
C. J. Wilson, E. L. Denham, Lyman S. Ingham, Prescott Barker,
Committee. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
May 23. Came up concurred.

Convention

Resolved: That a message be
sent to the Common Council proposing a convention of
the City Council on Thursday next at 8 1/4 o'clock P.M., for
the purpose of choosing a City Treasurer for the present fi-
nancial year.

Salary
Toll

On motion of Alderman Rich
the Board took from the table the order establishing the
salaries of the several officers of the City of Boston and
the County of Suffolk and said order was passed, as read
at page 217, with the following amendments. In Section 6.
at A. Strike out "twenty six" and insert "twenty seven." Sect. 13.
at B. Strike out the whole section. In Sect. 14. at C. Strike
out the whole section. In Sect. 17. at C. insert "and he shall
be allowed the use of a Horse and Chaise at the City's

expense" at D. strike out all the word between I. and G. 325

at C. strike out "that" and insert "the Director" in Sect. 35. May 20. 1861

at F. strike out "Twelve" and insert "Fifteen": Sent down for concurrence.

Ordered: That the Committee be on Salaries reconsider and report in a new draft order for the Salaries of the City and Port Physicians. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 23^d came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 24. 1861. City & Port Physicians

The Common Council Having amended the order in relation to Coal Tar deposits in the Harbor which passed this Board on the fifteenth inst. by inserting at A. "and all other persons and corporations." Said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor May 22. 1861. Coal Tar.

The Bonds of William Andrews and of Michael Gulvin, Constables, having been approved by the City Treasurer, were approved by the Board of Aldermen. Said Bonds were also approved by the Mayor, May 21. 1861. Constables Bonds

On motion of Alderman Furmenter the Board took from the table the order to change the name of West Centre Street to Chippewa Street - and the question being on the adoption of the amendment proposed on the fifteenth instant, to strike out "Chippewa" and substitute "Indians", said motion prevailed, and the order, as amended, was passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 21. 1861. West Centre Street. Indians Street.

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In Hall
where Street.

The order submitted to the
Council on the 14th instant authorizing the Committee
in Street and Paving to lay a stone wall along the city
land on the Commissioned Line west of Charles Street, was
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
May 21, 1861.

Resolved: That an incident
of expense incurred by the City for fitting up or repairing
the 'sewer' room occupied by the Volunteer Corps in this
City, when approved by the Committee on Finance be paid
from the appropriation for Finance and that a schedule of
such expenditures be made out and submitted to the Com-
monwealth for its consideration and adjustment. Read twice
and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 21, 1861.

Resolved: That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify William Scher, abutter on Devonshire
Street, to lay his sidewalk with brick or flat stone within ten
days, said part of Devonshire Street having been ordered
to be paved. And that, in default thereof, the same will be
done by the city at his expense according to law.

Ord
S. Street

On petition of Lewis I. Bird that
S. Street may be graded from Broadway to Eighth Street,
the Committee on Paving reported that the Superintendent
of Streets would make said Street feasible and safe. Read
and accepted.

S. Street
Hall Street.

On petition of Suffolk Rail-
road Company for extension of time in which to construct

a curb back at the corner of Washington and Boylston
that the Committee on Public Works report that the
city should have given an order in advance that the
curb back should be at the corner of Washington and Boyl-
ston Street by authority of the Council. As it can-
not now be constructed, no extension of time can legally be
granted, and will accept, the Council report is accepted.
(See May 23^d 1861.)

On petition of Valentine Shivers
and others that such Street may be graded the Committee on
Public Works report that it is not expedient. The
petitioners thereon will give a bond to the City to relinquish
all claims for grade damages Read and accepted

In answer to the report of the
Committee on Armories, the armories occupied by the Vol-
unteer Corps under Captain J. L. Russell at Faxon Hall, South
Boston - and by the Volunteer Corps under command of W. H.
Angier at 385 Washington Street, were approved by the
Council.

G. W. Bickford & Co were licensed
as Auctioneers at 46 Hanover Street.

Ebenezer Tinsfield was li-
censed to keep an Auctioneers office at 157 Washington
Street.

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in Third
Street between Grand St. Street, provided the abutters thereon
agree to pay for the edgestone to be set in front of their re-

328. Speculative estate. Read once.

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Fourth

Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutter in Fourth Street near G. Street, the abuttees therein in their petition agreeing to pay for the edgestone. Estimated cost two hundred dollars. Read once.

May 7

Third Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to repair Third and Broad Streets, and make such changes in the grade of said street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost five hundred dollars. Read once.

May 7

Third Street

Ordered: That the Chief of Police

be directed to notify the abuttees on Third and Broad Street to furnish new edgestones to support the sidewalk within twenty days. That in default thereof the same will be done by the City at their expense according to law. Read once.

Purchase

May 7

Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to repair Third Street from Belmont to Broad Street, and make such changes in the grade of said street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into

and shed, which are not secured in accordance with the 324.
ordinances of the city; and those which are so much out May 20, 1861
of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which
the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due
notice to that effect. Estimated cost one thousand dollars
paid once.

Ordered: That the chief of Purchase
Police be directed to notify the abutters on the aforesaid part Street
of the above. That the same be done as to the sidewalk
within twenty days. And that in default thereof
of the same will be done by the city, at their expense ac-
cording to law. Paid once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require
that a lot of land should be taken, and for that purpose
it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public shed or
one of the said city a parcel of land belonging to the
same. bounded by the following: to wit: by the
proposed line of widening of Mint Street, then measuring
thence east, following the line of the same, then
south, then west, and then north, to the same west
line, and following the same line, and then north, to the
line of the said widening, and then east, to the line of the
said widening, and then south, to the line of the said widening,
containing forty five square feet, more or less. And whereas, due
notice has been given of the intention of the Board to
take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as
appears by the return made annexed, It is therefore
ordered that the parcel of land before described be, and the
same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public shed or

22. was of the said city according to a plan of the said work
made by James Gude, City Engineer, dated April 29th 1861
and the Board do hereby adjudge that the expense of widening
the said Street that, as aforesaid, will amount to four
thousand dollars and the sum of the same shall be paid out of the
estimate of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed
the sum of six thousand dollars had once

Adjourned to Thursday next at eight o'clock, P.M.

The meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the city of New York at City Hall on
Thursday the twenty third day of May, Anno Domini, 1861.
Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Gilson

Dunham

Petition of Josiah Dunham
that a Sewer be laid in said and Sullivan Street referred
to the Committee on Sewers

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May 1861

On motion of Alderman Sec-
mon the Board recommended the vote whereby at its last
meeting it accepted a report of the committee on Sewers

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from and receive; and he shall hold his office until
the next annual election of assessors by the City Council
Section 2. The ordinance entitled "in ordinance in further
addition to an ordinance concerning the assessment and
collection of tax" passed the twenty-seventh day of April, 1861
eighteen hundred and sixty one, is hereby repealed. Passed
in Common Council. Came up for concurrence Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor. May 23^d 1861.

Wilson

On petition of Joseph Wilson for
leave to move a wooden building from Leicester Avenue to
North Avenue. Petition granted that leave is
granted provided the petitioner give bonds to pay all dama-
ges resulting from said removal and that said building
cross the railroad track at night. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the twenty-seventh day of May, Anno Domini, 1861.
Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Richardson

Attorney General
and the Committee on Finance. Resolved that the
abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

• Petition of M. E. Davis for 333

an abatement of a nuisance in and at No 212, 218 & 214 West 27th Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Same

Petition of William Thomas Thomas

and others that the iron pavement in Congress Street may be removed, it being in a dangerous condition. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of D. L. Fuller and Fuller

others that Knickerbocker Street from Albany Street to Harrison Avenue may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Charles F. Pratt Pratt

and others that Turner and Van Hook Streets may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Richard W. Russell Russell

and others to have a public house in the city in a vacant lot in Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of the Scotch Vol- Scotch

unteer Corps that the Army occupied by them at No 115 Broadway Street may be removed. Referred to the Committee on Armies.

Remonstrance of Huldlo Flint Flint

and others against the location of any Horse Rail Road track in Bedford or West Street and claiming to hold the city responsible for said location if any be made. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Broadway railroad.

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Police

James A. Pauline was confirmed and appointed a Police Officer of this City with all the powers of a Constable except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Harrison
Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Harrison Street by taking land of Hinkley, Williams &c. said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

North
Street

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Tuesday, June 4th at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in North Street between Perry and Richmond Streets and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereof. Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Books
to Soldiers
Library

A communication was received from Edward Everett Esq. Secy. of the Mass. Board of Education. He has to enclose a copy of an catalogue of the books of the Public Library, requesting that authority may be granted to the trustees, to send to the Army and Navy as can be spared without injury. The Library has indeed been found to be full of books, many of them, many without names to each other, many duplicates have in this way been added to it. Besides this, it is customary, when a new work of inter-

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It appears to purchase several copies for the immediate accommodation of the Public. After a time, longer or shorter according to the importance of the work, the demand for it diminishes, and a smaller number of copies, perhaps a single copy, is sufficient. In these two ways, a considerable number of volumes is accumulated on the shelves, which can be spared, not only without injury, but with convenience; and it is books of this description, which the Trustees would be happy, with the permission of the City Government, to forward for the use of our fellow-citizens, now engaged at the seat of War, in defense of the Constitution and the Union. It is well known that the great majority of them are young men, who have received their education at our public schools, and whose tastes and habits will incline them to pass their leisure hours not in idleness, still less in folly and dissipation, but, if the means are afforded them, in profitable reading. I remain, Sir, with great respect your obedient servant Edward Everett. In Board of Trustees of the Public Library, Boston, May 1861. Ordered: That the President, on behalf of this Board, call on the City Government, authorizing it to send to the Army of the United States, any duplicate books or pamphlets in the Public Library, which may seem to them suitable for such a destination, provided they are not deemed needful for the purposes of the Library at home. Read, and thereupon Ordered: That the Trustees of the Public Library, be and they are hereby authorized to contribute for the use of the soldiers called into service in the Militia of Massachusetts from Boston, under the recent regulations of the President of the United States, any and every

336. as may hereafter be called into action in relation to the
May 27 1861. books & pamphlets in the Public Library which seem
to them suitable for such a destination, provided, they are
not claimed and set for the purposes of the Library at home.
Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Board
May 28. 1861.

Loan
temporary

Ordered: That the Treasurer
be and he is hereby authorized to borrow under the direction
of the Committee on Finance a sum not exceeding five
hundred thousand dollars in anticipation of the income
of the financial year 1861-62: and that all sums of money
obtained under this order shall be made good within
the said financial year. Read in Common Council. Read
up for concurrence. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
curred. See Minutes. May 28th 1861. French, Gordon,
Hammond, Rice, Roy, Foster, Rich, Spring, Wilson, R. King-
man. Approved by the Mayor May 28. 1861.

Auditor

The ballots having been taken
and counted by an Auditor of Accounts it appeared that
the ballots were correct. Read and for concurrence. May
28. came up concurred.

Sub
committee

Ordered: That Messrs. Sears,
Lurio and Grant with such as the Board of Aldermen
may join be a committee with full power to make all ne-
cessary arrangements for a visit of the City Council to the
Falls in the Summer now occupied by the Massachusetts
troops - the cost of which to be charged to Incidental expenses.

and Miscellaneous claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Hatch and Spinney were joined. Approved by the Mayor. May 28. 1861.

Resolved: That Messrs. Henshaw and Spence with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Special Committee to procure and present in behalf of the City of Boston to the First Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, commanded by Col. Robert Gordon, a set of regimental notes, the value of the same not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars and to be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and Miscellaneous claims passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Rich and Gray were joined. Approved by the Mayor. May 28. 1861.

Regimental
Notes

Petition of Union Hall Relief Association for appointment of a committee to visit the families of soldiers in service of the United States. Referred to the Special Committee on petition of Albert J. Wright. Sent down for concurrence. May 30. Came up concurred.

Union Hall
Relief Assocn

Resolved: That the City Council of Boston have occurred with an ability the cause of the cause of humanity of Africa and Asia, expressive of their sympathy with the people of this country in our present national calamity. If a mortal oppression of encroachment upon their constitutional rights has misled our countrymen at the South into armed rebellion, we still cherish the hope that the respect for law and loyalty to

Africa
Asia

28. government committable & the state are on the con-
May 21 1861 sidering them that we shall win the province, and
bring them back to their allegiance. The event is in the hand
ing of Providence, but if acted in accordance with this
hope, it will inspire the friends of liberty with greater con-
fidence than ever, that governments essentially based
upon the bullet, as here and in the Province, are not only
the most just, but the most stable. Resolved: That a copy
hereof be transmitted to the said Assembly through its
presiding officer. Read twice and passed. Sent down for
concurrence. May 26. Concurrence concurred. Approved by the
Maya. May 21. 1861.

Mail &
B. at 4.10.11

The order submitted to the
Board on the 20th instant for the Superintendent of
Land to spare time and read that, and for the chief
of Police to report the status of the various villages
within the district was read a second time and passed.
Approved by the Maya. May 28. 1861.

Seventh
Steel.

The order submitted to the
Board on the 20th instant for the Superintendent of Land
to put the order in Seventh that had been read
a second time and passed. Approved by the Maya. May
28 1861.

Higley

Ordered: That there be paid
to Mary Higley, Guardian of Abel C. Higley & his heirs
sum of \$1000.00 in full for the purchase of the land
of the said Abel C. Higley & his heirs as shown on
the plan of land made by William Sparoli, Surveyor, dated
June 10. 1854 and recorded in Book 2nd of the 1st
series of the 1st series of the 1st series of the 1st series.

upon her giving to the City the sum of thirty dollars
to the City Solicitor; and that the same be charged to the appropria- May 27. 1861
tion for widening North Street.
passed. Approved by the Mayor May 27. 1861.

Ordered: That there be paid to Harriet Graham, wife of Josiah Graham, the sum of thirty four hundred and fifty one ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars, for land purchased on and near North Street, to wit: one undivided half of the estate of the late Samuel Barber, upon her giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of the taking a part thereof to widen said Street; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening North Street.
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 28. 1861.

The resolve and order submitted to the Board on the 20th instant to widen Alinet Street by taking land of Otis Timonds, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor May 28. 1861.

The orders submitted to the Board on the 20th instant for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Purchase Street from Belmont to Boreal Street were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 28. 1861.

The order submitted to the Board on the 20th instant for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in Third Street between G. and H. Streets,

76. was held a convention and present. April 1861

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Water Police
boat.

The Committee on Police to

whom was referred the communication of the Chief recommending the purchase of a more suitable boat for the Water Police, respectfully submit the following report. There is now provided for this service, besides one row boat for four men, a small schooner rigged sail boat twenty six feet in length, nine feet beam, four and a half feet draught, and maximum speed of four miles per hour. This boat, though built, and otherwise ill-suited to the wants of the department, having been intended rather for summer use and the upper harbor than for going below in bad weather, for which there is frequent occasion even in winter. She has no deck, but merely a cuddy, would easily upset and fill, is extremely wet in rough water and affords little shelter for the officers who must often for hours or days be subjected to the extreme vicissitudes of our climate. It is needless to say that much of their efficiency may depend in critical moments upon their being protected from undue exposure. The amount of time and money that has been made the most of by such and turbulent individuals for amusement, a less laudable object, especially upon Sundays in summer. This practice has not only lessened the efficiency of the police, but also that they are kept out of the city from their proper duty. There are certainly other and more serious considerations, and the prompt concentration of a strong force is required to quell or prevent disturbance. Regarding these matters we are in the habit of visiting vessels immediately upon their arrival and the

light. Another class obtain an illicit subsistence by supplying 341
ing the wants of such sailors as are open to temptation. Nov 27. 1861
and receive in return glass, junk, and other articles be-
coming to the ship owner, which they can turn to account.
Given in the city, and its suburbs by the sea.
They inhabit the lower waters of the Harbor, boarding coasters
and fishermen, and are only to be kept under control by
constant vigilance. Criminals or delinquents are often to be
taken from cultural-bound vessels, mutinies to be arrested,
and prisoners to be brought up to the city. Formerly the
oyster beds for the supply of our market were in the creek
or bay above the bridge, or along the shores of South, or
East Boston. But the increasing scourge of the popula-
tion has rendered it necessary to place them in purer
water, and they have of late been distributed for the most
part among the islands. It was prohibited to re-
moral from the beaches of the tallest which enameled our
shore, and protects them from the wash of the sea. Pen-
alties fail to deter where impunity is so easy. Yet, if these
disturbances are not checked, a real and serious
evil exists, the danger will be increasing, and
eventually it will be of great consequence. The
Police are called upon to enforce the orders of the Harbor Mas-
ter, which often call for promptitude and vigor, it is advised
that they should be empowered to enforce the same in
prompt obedience. The regulations are wisely framed for the
convenience and safety of navigation. Their habitual viola-
tion must be attended with very serious consequences. The
presence of the Police in a position to ensure respect for au-

342. Thrily would soon put a stop to the frequent and vexatious
May 27. 1861 disregard of the rules. However, regard another, precise
reason why we should enable our police, in all weather, and
at all hours, to be below without unnecessary risk or ex-
pense. They can thus extend relief to vessels in distress. The
pilots are of course ever ready and willing to be of service
when at hand: but they are generally beyond reach, the
boats being outside the light. They have besides other duties,
and this would seem appropriately to devolve upon our Harbor
Police, who are the guardians of the water: and as it cannot
interfere with their usual employment, these officers have
been, almost without exception, trained to the sea. They are
experienced and fearless, and if the vessel provided judi-
cially that it is entering them more constantly in service
so perilous, to their exertions we should owe the preservation
of many precious lives, and of much valuable property. The
reason stated might be greatly multiplied in justifying the
department with all the appliances for efficient service in
times of emergency. There are other reasons upon the slightest
reflection in the present exigency, to which it would be superfluous
to draw the attention of the Board or the Council. For the last
few weeks our Harbor has been alive with warlike preparation.
Thousands of soldiers have been upon the island, in camp
in the forts. Multitudes of their friends have been going and
coming, and other multitudes waiting them from motives of
curiosity, steamers have been dispatched with re-inforcements
to the army, or loading with provisions and munitions of
war, and the Navy Yard has exhibited unusual activity
in the equipment of armed vessels. It was with a foreign

men we should know our enemies, but subjected to that
multitude of calamities which can befall a people, rebellion &
civil war, treachery may at any time be lurking in our
midst to betray us unwares. Information exact and com-
plete is a vital element of safety, and can be best procured
at known police organizations. Long experience and the ne-
cessities of the service have furnished them with means of
intelligence, and where the efforts of others to procure it would
be futile and suspicious, from their legitimate duty and cooperation
it must be a shrewd plot that baffles their vigilance or es-
cape their detection. If we are to be assailed in the progress
of this unfortunate controversy, it must be from the sea, and
our Harbor Police may be useful in connection with our
principal stations on the Atlantic Ocean in procuring
early knowledge of any intended attempt at annoyance. The
act of the Legislature authorizing municipalities to
employ an armed police force for home protection, gives ample
power to make this if needed, an efficient branch of our defense.
A telegraph wire about the Harbor could be connected with
those that London, ensuring time might be saved in the
transmission of information to other. Practical considerations,
when great unnecessary expenditure is to be incurred, for
the idea of an armed steam vessel for the Harbor Police. Upon
sudden or unusual emergencies, one can be procured. What is
needed is a vessel of light draught, fast, dry and safe in all
weather, which can be easily managed by two men, and af-
ford room for ten or twelve. It should have a sufficient steam
hold to live at that power. An so important an object, and
especially when connected with our protection in times like

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kind of property has suffered depression with others, and what we want can be obtained at less than cost, very much less, we believe, than in a season of ordinary prosperity. The present wharf accommodation belonging to the City will furnish the necessary berth and there is no reason to believe that the purchase will entail now, or hereafter, any expense beyond the first cost and such small sums as may be required to keep her in repair. The appropriation for the department, as will be seen on recourse to the Auditor's estimates, was made with exact reference to the usual expenditures, and if the City Council adopt our recommendation for the purchase as suggested, a transfer should be made from the General Fund. In the Committee James C. May, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Police be authorized to purchase, with the appropriation of the House the wharf, a wharf boat for the Police Department, at a cost not exceeding one thousand dollars, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the Police Department, in this paper. That twice and said on the last

considered

out of

Agreeable to assignment the

Board took up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Cambridge Rail Road track in Cambridge that it should be extended to the Cambridge City. James C. May appeared for J. Miles Edmunds and other abuttees who remonstrated against any change of the existing location. The Cambridge Railroad Company not being present to state its views on the subject, the hearing was continued to Tuesday the fourth day of June next at four o'clock P.M.

The Committee on Culmance 3/15

at 10 o'clock the Board on Culmance in relation to an order
passed the same and respectfully recommend that it pass in
a unanimous vote. In the morning, the Board on Culmance
met in Council. Said, accepted and the Culmance passed. Some
of the concurrence. Said and laid on the table.

The Auditor submitted to the Board his annual statement of the State of Public
Affairs, including the names of the donors and the amount
of each and on the Board and called to be printed.

The Board on Culmance having elected Edward F. Robinson as the Principal Assessor
contemplated by the Culmance at the May 20th and called
came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken
and counted for such Assessor, it appeared that the whole
number was 12. Necessary for choice of John L. Richardson had
5. Edward F. Robinson 4. Jonathan Bayne 2. and Francis
McNamee 1. for choice. A second ballot having been taken
it appeared that thirteen votes were thrown, and it was
declared void. A third ballot was taken with the following
result, whose number of votes is: Necessary for choice 6.
John L. Richardson had 4. Edward F. Robinson 3. Jonathan Bayne 2.
Francis McNamee 1. for choice. A fourth ballot was taken
with the following result, whose number of votes is: Necessary
for choice 6. John L. Richardson had 3. Edward F. Robinson 3.
Jonathan Bayne 3. Francis McNamee 2. and there was no

240. choice: and the subject was then laid upon the table.

On motion of William Pitt

Resolved: That the remembrance of John Adams and other
against the opening of the streets by any new gas company,
be taken from the files of last year and referred to the Com-
mittee on Sewing.

East Fench

Whereas, This Board, acting

as the Board of Health, are satisfied upon due exami-
nation, and doth adjudge, that the rooms and tenements
occupied by William Pitt, John Adams, Hugh Kenney, Ed-
rick Horan, Michael Kelly, Ellen Timmons, Michael Lane,
and John Lee, as dwelling places, in East Fench Street a Shaw-
mut Place in said City of Boston, are severally unfit for
dwelling places, and that they are severally a cause of
nuisance and sickness to the occupants thereof, and to
the public; therefore - Ordered, That the said persons be so-
lely obliged to remove from and quit the rooms and ten-
ments occupied by them respectively, as aforesaid, within ten
days from the date hereof, and that if they or any of them shall
neglect or refuse so to remove and quit, within ten days from
the date hereof, this Board will cause each of the said persons
so neglecting or refusing, to be removed forcibly.

East Fench

Ordered: That the following

shall be sent to William Pitt, John Adams, Hugh Kenney,
Edrick Horan, Michael Kelly, Ellen Timmons, Michael
Lane and John Lee. This Board, acting as the Board of
Health, are satisfied, upon due examination, and have

adjudged, that the rooms or tenement occupied by you, as

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a tenement house, in the City of Boston, are unfit for the purpose of a dwelling place, and that they are a cause of nuisance and sickness to the

occupants thereof, and to the public. You are therefore hereby notified to remove from and quit the rooms or tenement occupied by you as aforesaid, within ten days from the date of this order; and that if you neglect or refuse to remove and quit, the Board of Aldermen may be moved, finally if necessary.

Ordered that the Board of Aldermen

Shall

and that a nuisance exists on land situated between the River and the City of Boston, and on the premises, belonging to C. Hall, agent, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants of the City of Boston, and the Superintendent of the City of Boston, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining said lot, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Ordered that the Board of Aldermen

The Committee on Paving to

Shall
be read
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where was recommended the petition of the Suffolk Railroad Company for further time in which to construct their curve track at the corner of Washington and Bay State Streets upon the condition that the plan of location of said curve track having been approved as it can finally be done, no further action thereon is necessary. Resolved and accepted.

On petition of Flint

Shall

to be read in the City of Boston and Councils at East Boston

248.
May 27, 1861.
June 1st read the Committee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted for that day and evening. Read and accepted.

Charley

On petition of William Stanley for an abatement of an assessment for construction of a house in Quincy. That the Committee on Taxes reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Simonds

Ordered: That there be paid to Eli Simonds the sum of four hundred dollars for land taken to widen Third Street, upon his giving to the city a bill for the same, and an accountance and discharge for all moneys paid and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Sirtn

Shel.

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a house, in said Third Street, between E. and S. Street, and whereas the necessary intention has been given, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Taxes be and he is hereby directed to make a valuation of the same in said Third Street between E. and S. Street and to send a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at three and ten o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 249.

of the Board of the City of Boston held at City Hall on the
wednesday the twenty ninth day of May, anno Domini, 1861.

Present

Mr. Shaw, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Han-
son and Weston.

Petition of Gulen Pike to be

Pike

compensated for damage sustained to change of grade in
Fifth Street near S. Street. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of John M. Lunn

Lunn

to be compensated for personal injuries sustained by a fall
upon the ice at 34 Northwater Street. Referred to
the Committee on Claims for concurrence. May 30
came up concurred.

Recommendation from the

Board

United States Commissioners on the Harbor of Boston asking
an appropriation to complete the survey of the inner har-
bor. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent
back for concurrence. May 30. Came up concurred.

Report to the effect of

among

the Committee on Armories, the armory of the Scotch volun-
teer corps at 117 Northway Street was appraised for one month
at a rent not exceeding twenty five dollars. Approved by the
Board May 29, 1861.

Scotch Volunteers

Report to assignment

Commission

the Board took up the subject of the proposed location of
the Massachusetts Arsenal in the city of this day.

Resolved

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specified in the order of notice issued on the sixth instant. John Thomas appeared for the Metropolitan Railroad and remonstrances were filed by Joseph B. Huntress and others against a permanent location of said road in Harrison Avenue. Mr. A. E. Hunt and Simon F. Adams and others objected to the proposed location in Green and Court Streets. Mr. Ranney appeared for Auden's Line of Carriages and objected to a location on the route of said line. After testimony had been introduced on both sides and after arguments by John Thomas for the Metropolitan Railroad, and by Mr. Brewster for the remonstrants, the subject was recommended to the Committee on Paving.

Suffolk
Railroad

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Suffolk Railroad in this city as described in the order of notice issued on the sixth instant. Edwin Wright appeared for the Suffolk Railroad, and Mr. Brewster appeared for G. F. Adams and others who objected to any location in Green and Court Streets; and Mr. Ranney appeared for Auden's line of Carriages and objected to any location which would interfere with that line and John Thomas appeared for the location of the Suffolk Railroad in this city as described in the order of notice. After the introduction of testimony and the hearing of arguments, the subject was recommended to the Committee on Paving.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

Thursday, May 30, 1861. Philip 351

Amiel member of the Common Council elected from Ward 2. and Calvin A. Richards member elected from Ward 11. accompanied by their respective colleagues Messrs. Roberts and Brewer and were duly qualified by the Mayor who administered to them the oath of office required by law. common council qualified

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the fourth day of June, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of E. V. Flynn and others that a gate be constructed to the sewer on Seventh Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. Flynn

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of reconstructing the Common Sewer in Chapman Place and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall derive any benefit thereby; Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. Chapman Place

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of reconstructing Pinckney Street.

352. In the common law in Princeton that between Fulcrum
and all shall and among the common law
on all persons, who may enter their particular claims into
such common law, or who, by any more ample means
shall receive any benefit therefrom, by force, making no
exceptions thereof, until then and there be heard.

Special
Office

On nomination by the
Hon. Mr. Merriam was appointed a Special Officer
without pay or duty at San Bland.

General

A message was received
from the Common Council stating that William S. Merriam
was appointed a member of the committee on Public Buildings
and also a member of the committee on the part
of that Branch. Read and placed on file.

City of St. Louis
No. 3

The Committee on Public
Buildings, to whom was recommended their former report,
dated April 3^d 1861, in relation to the erection of a
Hall for Police District No. 3, in City Hall, with instructions
to report the cost of the land and building, and also to con-
sider in this connection the old Smith School building and
suitable location for this purpose, have attended to the mat-
ter, and report that the Smith School building is now
occupied by two schools which cannot be dispensed with
at the present time. That even if the building was unoc-
cupied, it would not answer for the purpose of a Police Station,
it just being only three feet and the small size of the room
is being totally inadequate to the necessities of the Police Station.

353.
June 11. 1860.
The Committee, upon a review of the whole subject, are still
impressed with the idea that the proposed site in City Street is
not adapted for the purpose, and they report that the lot
situated on the west side of City Street contains six thousand one
hundred and thirty six square feet, and is estimated to be worth
the sum of eleven thousand dollars. They also report that
the cost of the Police Station House, such as is designed to be
erected on said lot, is estimated at thirteen thousand dollars.
The Committee therefore advise the passage of the accompanying
order. For the Committee, John Weston, Chairman. Ordered:
That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are
lawfully authorized to purchase a lot of land on the west
side of City Street near Cambridge Street, now owned by Joshua
A. Smith and containing six thousand one hundred
and thirty six square feet, for a sum not exceeding eleven
thousand dollars, and to erect thereon a suitable Police Sta-
tion House for District No 3 at an expense not exceeding
thirteen thousand dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be,
and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction
of the Committee on Finance the sum of twenty five thou-
sand dollars, the same to be appropriated to the site and
for the erection of Police Station House No 3 in City Street. In
common Council Read, accepted and the vote passed. Yes 36.
Ayes none. Ayes 14 for concurrence. Ayes 14 and concurred.
Yes, John Weston, Thomas Clark, John, Thomas, Wm. Mendenhall, John
Gray, John Weston, John, William, John H. Lee none. Ayes 14
none. Voted. Reported by the Mayor June 5. 1860.

Ordered: That the fol-
lowing Bill for materials a labor furnished to persons connected
to be paid

Bill

to be paid

258 directly or indirectly with the City Government be paid, paid
therefor the amount, audited and cleared in the usual manner
The clerk three hundred and twenty four dollars & fifty
five cents; Francis Richards, three hundred fifty one dollar &
fifty cents. A. Burr Hen, two hundred fifteen dollars and twenty
four cents and ninety one dollar and seventy four cents; C. W.
Rich one hundred and eighty dollars; W. L. Gordon one
hundred fifteen dollars and twenty seven cents; Crocker and
Brewster twenty dollars and fifty cents; G. W. Harmon one
hundred and ninety two cents and seventeen dollars and
thirty nine cents; Linn and Tobitt, eleven dollars and
one cent. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.
June 6 same of amended. Submitted to Mayor for approval
June 15. Approved by Mayor June 17. 1861.

House of
Reformation

On motion of Alderman Incey
the Board took from the table the Ordinance in addition to
the Ordinance in relation to the House of Reformation, and
the question being on the passage of the same, it was adopted
in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor June 5. 1861.

Deputies

His Honor the Mayor com-
municated to the Board the intelligence of the decease of
Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, a former Mayor of the City
Council; in communicating to you the death of Stephen A. Dou-
glas a Senator of the United States, which we just announced
and some who said I had already said before what his
merit was in writing that report to his country which may
be deemed just and appropriate to the position he has oc-

aspirant and statesman and leader. His name is a name, to 355.
his own indomitable energy and perseverance to the noble June 4, 1861
rank in our National Council, endowed with a power of
natural eloquence that has on many occasions made the
public hall his domain, the hall of our nation. His career
has ever excited a more powerful interest and the political
policy of which he was a leader, a not a mere formal
influence in the administration of public affairs. But
that as he was of public distinction, none have yielded more
unanimously to his personal claims to what he regarded
as his duty, and the duty of his nation. His public
career has shown that subordinated all personal considerations
were to his love of country and its government. Frank and
frank, he severed the ties of life-long friendships and thrust
aside all political feelings of the past, to raise his voice in de-
fence of the Union, and the triumph of the laws. Falling as he
has at this time, in the prime of life, and when his services
could least be spared by his Country, his death will be mourn-
ed as a National bereavement by all good men and patriots
of every political party. While then we bow with humble
admiration to the throne of that immortal Providence, with
faith and confidence in His wisdom, we may unite in
paying that tribute to the memory of the illustrious dead, which
is due to his genius and his patriotism. Joseph M. Nightman,
Mayor. Read and thereupon Alderman Pease submitted to
the Board the following Resolution: That the City Council of the City of
Boston have mourned with deep regret and have the death
of Stephen A. Lincoln, a Senator of the United States, and one

256. In our public service entitle his memory to our honor and re-
June 14. 1861 spect. Resolved: That we tender to the family of the deceased,
our appreciation of the great services our country has sustained,
and our respectful sympathy in their bereavement.
Resolved: That his honor the Board be requested to commu-
nicate these orders to the family of the late Simons. Said
resolves having been seconded by Alderman Parmenter were
unanimously adopted. Sent down for concurrence. June 16 came
up concurred unanimously. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861

July 1st 1861

Ordered: That the Committee
on the fourth of July appropriation be and they are hereby
directed to dispense with the usual public dinner on that
occasion, and that the sum appropriated for the dinner on the
fourth of July be distributed among the destitute families of
the city. For this date is given in the Military service of
the United States under the direction of the committee upon
the occasion of the fourth of July. Read in common council
in June 1861. Concurrence. Read and on motion of Alderman
Horton moved to the committee on fourth of July. Alderman
James H. Hutton, Alderman James H. Hutton, Alderman
Horton, Alderman Clark, Gibson, and Rice sent down
for concurrence.

Fourth Street

The order submitted to the Board
on the fourth of July to the Superintendent of Streets
to conduct a race in Fifth Street between 2 and 3
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
June 5. 1861

Simonds

The order submitted to the Board

on the twenty seventh of May last to pay Ellis Simonds four hundred dollars for land taken to widen Minot Street and read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 5 1861

Ordered: That the order, which passed the Board of Aldermen February 18. 1861 establishing an assessment for the construction of a sewer in Sand Street be and the same is hereby rescinded and declared void and of no effect, and that the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to make a new schedule of an assessment for the construction of said sewer and present the same to this Board. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 5. 1861

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to allow the owner of an estate bounding on Brook Square provided that the owner of an estate bounding on Brook Square agrees to pay three fourths of the expense of the same. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 5. 1861

The Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds to whom was committed the subject of procuring a primary school house for the Lawrence and Essex District respectfully Report: That the best interests of those Districts require that lot at the corner of Fifth and L. streets known as the Felton Lot should be purchased for the purpose and recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Thomas C. Amory Jr. Chairman. Ordered: That the committee on Public Buildings be au-

238. That to purchase the lot of land corner of 2nd and 5th June 4, 1861. Street, known as the Allen lot for a sum not exceeding six thousand dollars & to erect thereon a Primary School House upon such plans as the said committee with the approval of the Committee on Public Instruction shall determine at an expense not exceeding nineteen thousand dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he he is authorized and directed to draw under the direction of the committee on Finance the sum of twenty five thousand dollars the same to be appropriated to the erection of a Primary School House at the corner of 5th and 2nd Streets. Passed in Common Council Dec 33. Says 3. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred with these amendments, at A. insert "on the lot known as the Clapp lot, and the lot known as the Homer lot." At B. Strike out "at the corner of 5th and 2nd Streets;" and insert "in the Laurence and James District." Yeas, 16. Nays, 10. Ayes, 10. Nays, 10. Sent down for concurrence.

Right
Quince
Cutter's Day
Fund.

Union Hall
Relief Assocⁿ

The Joint Special Committee of the City Council, one hour met under their consideration the petition of Wm. H. Wright and the, and also that of the Am. Anti-Slavery Socy. in favor of the Union Hall Relief Association, that relief may be extended by the City to the families of such of our citizens as have found themselves distressed under the following report: In consideration of the twenty third of May last passed in relation to the families of volunteers and in other purposes. It was resolved that the statute leave it discretionary with the cities and towns

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attend this relief or not, as they may deem it expedient. But the moral obligation to provide a famine relief fund below are risking their lives and enduring every hardship in the defence of our national existence, is clear and imperative, and there should be no hesitation in meeting it with the utmost alacrity. The faithful performance of this duty may be attended with many embarrassments, may entail upon us many responsibilities, we may be tempted by our sympathies beyond the limits of prudence in the amounts raised and the character of the persons relieved, but if any system appears practicable by which just claims can be satisfied, without subjecting us to importunities exceedingly unreasonable or pretensions utterly groundless, we think it should be tried. It is a national crisis of such grave importance to our whole community, and which has not called in vain upon its united energies, all are called to share in the unusual duties which it brings. In every branch of population public spirited individuals have been found ready to devote their time & talents, and, for the more effectual accomplishment of the object have formed themselves into general or local committees. Wherever a want has been experienced, it has been promptly provided for. The urgency of the occasion, when, to the attack on Sumter we were precipitated and civil war was proclaimed, drew to the defence of Washington, without other thought for their families than a true patriotic assurance that they would not be permitted to want. Some of these were without other means of subsistence, and great suffering would have been inevitable had not the generous and affluent rallied for their relief. Many thousands of dollars were collected,

360 June 4. 1861. | ought best to hold this in reserve for wants of a more permanent nature than the supply of immediate necessities. For these committees were appointed by meetings called for the purpose, and the functions created through individual liberality, to raise a large number of cases. The fact they were assumed they do not propose to abandon. They have already organized a plan which secures concert of action, yet prevents any waste of effort. They now petition the City Council to carry out the objects of the statute by instituting some system of relief in co-operation with their own. Our laws have always recognized the claims of the destitute to public aid. But there is a wholesome prejudice amongst our people against becoming its recipients. The claims we are considering are of a different nature, and should be provided for in a different way. Confidently expecting, as we do, that the war will be but of limited duration, no permanent plan would seem to be called for. A sufficient office for the occasion should be formed, and if it impose any unreasonable amount of duty, this will be cheerfully borne in consideration of the object. Perhaps there would be no very serious objection to devolving on committees, formed at large, not only the preliminary investigation of cases, but their final decision. But as the statute imposes upon the municipal government the responsibility, its delegation to others would be in violation of duty. Endowed with the functions with which we are legally clothed, we should discharge them conscientiously and with intelligence. With so many other demands upon our time, we could not hope to do justice to claimants of

we attempted the sole charge of their applications. It would 361.

seem more judicious to leave, for the most part, the examina- June 4, 1861.

tion of cases to the committee which have hitherto attended to this duty with zeal and fidelity. It should be understood

that all applications are to be made through them, or if made at the City Hall may, at the discretion of the Board

committee, be referred to them. Their organization can be indefi-

nitely extended to meet all the requirements of the service, and

provision can be established for the support of applicants.

Moreover, from the character and influence of those who have

undertaken this charge, there is no reason to believe that they

will shrink from the duty which the constitution has

been generous to relieve any pressing necessities. They have

abundantly understood, improved every opportunity of pro-

curing information to guide their labors. They have obtained

from the State House, forts, and the colonels of regiments, reliable

information of all who have entered the service here. They are collect-

ing accurate facts and circumstances which will guard

them against mistake. In proper books are to be entered, ac-

cording to the name, the service, their regiment and company,

362. | changes of residence, any embarrassment in this case could
may 4, 1861 | be easily obviated. Of course, the largest proportion of all
who have joined the army are unmarried, and have neither
families nor dependents. Of those that have, many possess an
adequate means to protect them from want. Many
who have been kindly cared for will prefer to earn a subsist-
ence by their exertions, to becoming dependant upon the public,
while others will be provided for by their friends or relatives. A
liberal share of the pay of the men will, no doubt, be also con-
scientiously appropriated to this sacred duty. We do not, conse-
quently, apprehend that applicants for relief will be very nu-
merous. Those who in dehuman circumstances should be dis-
tinguished from the ordinary applicant. If for illness
or for other cause, the statute allowance prove inadequate,
private charity invoked by the committee will be generously
extended. It is not proper distinction in the matter to discrimi-
nate between those who have settlements in Boston, and such
as are living in the cities or towns of the Commonwealth, or
other States. If our liberality be abused, a subject as to how
a burden, the policy can be changed. All, whose natural pro-
tectors have enlisted or have legal settlements here, would
seem entitled to aid. It would seem important, to prevent con-
fusion, that some simple rules for the details of the proposed
plan should be prepared, and this state of it. It would be there-
fore demand immediate attention might be required by
our present committee. That full knowledge of all that is
expended may be communicated to the government; and the
returns of the names of the recipients, and amounts allowed
should be made by each ward committee to the City Clerk.

and other person whose duty it shall be made by the rules, 366
to be arranged in suitable form, and preserved on file for ref- June 11, 1861.
erence. When the present amount is exhausted, and another
shall be called for, the Committee appointed to determine
the expediency of continuing the system will have at hand
the requisite materials for their report. To recommend the pas-
sage of the following order to the Committee. Passed & agreed
by Chairman. Ordered: That the Aldermen and four Council-
men from each Ward be, and he or she, constituted Commit-
tee to determine the allowance to be paid under the provi-
sions of the Act recently passed on the 23rd of May 1861,
to such families or dependents of persons in the
public military service as reside within their respective
ward limits, and are in need of relief; and that orders
to the amount allowed, signed in the respective names,
be paid upon audit by the Treasurer to the applicant, upon
their order, or receipts, in book, to be preserved as vouchers; the
same to be charged to the appropriation for the Relief of the Fam-
ilies of Soldiers. Alderman May is authorized and appointed
to act as Chairman for that purpose. Ordered: That the Treas-
urer be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Com-
mittee on Finance, ten thousand dollars, the same to be, and
to be made an appropriation for the Relief of the Fam-
ilies of Soldiers. Ordered: That the Joint Special Committee, on
the petition of Albert J. Wright and others, prepare such rules
as in their judgment shall be necessary to regulate the al-
lowance of contributions authorized under the Statute 1861,
chapter 222, entitled "An Act in relation to the Beneficence of Hun-
ters, and for other purposes," to those entitled to the same, and

564. to procure and take a clerical notice that may be needed to
May, Clark, Gibbon, Munson, Hatch, Fairminter, Fay, Weston, Rich,
Spinney, Gibson H. Noyes, none. Alder, Aldermen Peice. Sent down
for concurrence. June 6, came up concurred. May 32, Noyes none.
Approved by the Maya. June 17 1861.

to the proposed construction of a sewer in North Street, and
which was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Cambridge
Railroad
Agreeable to assignment the
Board took at the subject of the proposed extension of the
Cambridge Railroad for one hundred and twenty five feet
above their present terminus in Chelsea. See C. S. Railroad.
as appeared in the Cambridge Railroad Company and to
Bald, Esq. appeared for Wiley Edmonds and other women
thrust against the same. After a hearing of the case on
both sides the subject was recommended to the Committee
on Faring.

Board of
City Officers
Ordered: That Aldermen Peice
and Fay with such as the Common Council may join be
a committee to examine the Board of the Sewer Com-
missioners and report upon their sufficiency. Sent down for con-
currence. June 6. Came up concurred and Messrs Dun, Peice,
and Garrison were joined. Approved by the Maya June 17
1861.

City Council
Ordered: That the City Council may
appoint for construction of sewer in the road under
Street, pursuant to an order of the Board of Aldermen

passed April 8th 1861. Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty second day of August 1861, public notice thereof having first been given, a common sewer has been constructed in Old Road and M. Street, the cost of which was seven hundred thirty four dollars and ninety three cents, one quarter part thereof being deducted, to be paid by the said city, there remains five hundred fifty one dollar and nineteen cents, to be charged to persons benefited by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed being benefited as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed.

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Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the passage way leading from Garrison Avenue to Myrtle Street, known as Hamburg Street, should be laid out as a public highway, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to John Cook, Puttick Cunningham, Alexander H. Vance, Barney Liberty, James M. Laughlin, Daniel Whalen, John M. Ginnis, Mrs. Kelley, Robert M. Finch, G. W. Messinger, John M. Gonsale, Richard Quare, N. E. Blanchard, N. L. A. Whitman, James Finnergan, James M. Laughlin, Puttick Cunningham, L. B. Thayer, Dennis M. Allen, J. P. Nichols, Catherine Fernan, A. M. Litchfield, Heirs of J. A. Ginner, L. L. Farnsworth, Andrew Hall. That this Board intend to lay out the Street before mentioned, by taking a

Garrison
Street.

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portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twenty fourth day of June instant at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Federal
Street

Whereas Federal Street between High Street and Milk Street is to be repaired, and the edge stones of a portion of the abutments thereon are deemed insufficient to support the sidewalk, it is hereby ordered, That the Chief of Police, be directed to notify the owners and abutments of lots Nos. 4, 32, 38, 40, 42, 112, 126, 146, 162, 166, 172, 155, 125, 121, 115, 91 and 35, Federal Street, to furnish new edge stone in front of their respective lots within twenty days. In default thereof, the same will be furnished by the City of Boston at their cost, according to law.

Earle

Lent's Circus

Haggerty

Agreeably to the several reports of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to William B. Earle to give a concert at Chickering's Tavern on the 11th instant; to Lent's Circus Company to exhibit at East Boston June 18th and at South Boston on the 15th instant: leave was also granted to Michael Haggerty to exhibit an air gun on a vacant lot on Federal Street.

North

Street

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer in North Street between New and Richmond Streets, and that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct a common sewer in said North Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to the

Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

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Resolved: That the safety June 4, 1861.

and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Harrison Avenue should be widened, and for that purpose

it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to Holmes Hinkley, Lewis Williams, Daniel Child and Adams Appleton

as follows, viz: Southwardly to the proposed line of widening of Harrison Avenue, three hundred and twenty

two feet and $\frac{26}{100}$; Northwardly to land now a lot of the Boston Locomotive Works, ten feet and $\frac{74}{100}$; Northwardly

to the present line of Harrison Avenue, three hundred and twenty two feet and $\frac{26}{100}$; and Southwardly to land now or

late of the Heirs of Graham Brooks, ten feet and $\frac{74}{100}$: contain- ing three thousand, two hundred and twenty two square feet

and $\frac{6}{100}$ more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land

for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before

described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city - according to a

plan of the said widening made by James Stude, City Engineer, dated June 3^d 1861, and deposited in the office of the

said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Harrison Avenue, as aforesaid,

will amount to three thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations

or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

A meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the tenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Welch, Hanksen and Rich.

Jurors

Four Grand and three Petit Jurors were drawn for the United States District Court.

Ticknor

Petition of Ticknor and Fields and others that William Carpenter be prohibited from locating a wooden building in South Cedar Street. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

City and
Police.

A complaint by John Clifford and others against Police Officers Chase and Clapp of the South Station. Referred to the Committee on Police.

City.

Petition of John G. Carr for permission to use the parade ground on Boston Common to drill his new Battery of Artillery on the seventeenth instant. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

red to the Committee on Common re: with full power.

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Petition of George A. Butchelder
for an Arrow for his volunteer company in Faneuil Hall. Referred
to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Butchelder

Petition of Thomas J. Brigham
for leave to move a wooden building from Howard Street through
Federal Street to High Street. Referred to the Committee on
Paving.

Brigham

Petition of William E. Blanchard
to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade
in Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Blanchard

Petition of Benjamin Smith
to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Fulton
Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Smith

Petition of William P. Jarvis
and others that Porter Street, hand g: may be accepted, and
be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Jarvis

Porter Street

No person appearing to ob-
ject to the proposed construction of a Lane in Chapman Place,
said subject was recommended to the Committee on Lanes.

Chapman
Place

No person appearing to object
to the proposed construction of a Lane in Pincelon Street from
Putnam to Prescott Streets, said subject was recommended to
the Committee on Lanes.

Pincelon
Street

June 10. 1861. be given that this Board will, on Tuesday, June 18th next, at
 Highland, Ten o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of con-
 structing common sewers in Highland Street between Eighth
 Eighth & Street and Tenth Street; in Eighth Street between Highland Street
 and Rochester Street; and in Goddard Street between Dor-
 chester and E. Street, and of assessing the expense thereof
 on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into
 such common sewers, a rate, by any new mode means, shall
 receive and benefit thereby: any person, making objections
 thereto, will then and there be heard.

4th and
 Dor. Street
 sewer

The Superintendent of Sewers
 submitted to the Board a verbal schedule of assessments for
 construction of a sewer in Third Street. Referred to
 the Committee on Sewers.

National
 Luncheon

An invitation to dine with the
 National Luncheon on the occasion of their approaching An-
 niversary on the forthcoming instant, was accepted by the Board.

Fire
 Department.

Agreeably to the recommenda-
 tion of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the
 discharges of Robert Henderson from Steam Engine Co. No. 1, of
 John H. Starns from Fire Company No. 2, and George Ware from
 Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 were confirmed by the Board.

Report.

On motion of Alderman Emery,
 the Board took from the table the subject of the election of a
 permanent assessor, and the matter having been taken and

counted for said office it appeared that the whole number
of ballots was 9. Frederick received 5. John L. Richardson had
4. Edward B. Robinson 3. Francis A. Moore 2. Lechia. A second
ballot having been taken it appeared that the whole number
of ballots was 9. Frederick received 5. John L. Richardson had
5. Edward B. Robinson 2. Francis A. Moore 2. So and Richard
son was chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

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The Board of Land Commis-
sioners respectfully represent to the City Council that their ap-
propriation for Public Lands is exhausted, and that an addi-
tional appropriation of twenty thousand dollars will be re-
quired to meet the wants of the Department during the finan-
cial year of 1861 and 1862. As all appropriations for the Public
Lands have heretofore been provided by law, the Board would
respectfully recommend the passage of the annexed order,
authorizing a loan for the amount required. To the Commis-
sioners, Samuel Hetch, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer
be and he is hereby authorized to borrow under the direction
of the committee on Finance, the sum of twenty thousand
dollars, and that the same be added to the appropriation for
Public Lands, to be expended under the direction of the Board
of Land Commissioners. Passed in Common Council Year,
'63. This motion came up for concurrence. Read, and on motion
of Alderman Preston laid on the table.

Land

Loan

Ordered: That the Com-
mittee on Ordinances inquire into the expediency of providing
for ordinance that there shall be made and kept for public
reference an alphabetical index where practicable of the loca-

Taxes

372. An Ordinance which may hereafter be sold for taxes.
June 10. 1861. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861.

Ordinances. | The Committee on Ordinances
report of | respectfully report that by virtue of an order passed June 24th
1860, the Committee on Ordinances of 1860 were directed to prepare
a revised edition of the Ordinances of the City of Boston. They
accordingly made arrangements Hon. George P. Fungie to super-
intend the publication of said work, and they report that about
one hundred pages were completed at the expiration of the last
municipal year, when the functions of the Committee on Ordina-
nances of that year also ceased. The attention of your present com-
mittee having been called to these facts they have examined
into the condition of the work in its present unfinished state,
and have had interviews with Mr. Fungie, who is willing and
ready to continue his labor on the work when authorized by
said Committee. The revision of the Ordinances is imperatively
required and your Committee recommend that it be, by
all means resumed at the point where it was left by Judge
Fungie in 1860. They therefore deem it proper before proceeding
further to obtain the sanction of the present City Council in the
matter. In the Committee, Thomas C. Amory, Jr. Chairman. Or-
dained: That the Committee on Ordinances cause the revision
of the City Ordinances to be resumed and finished in ac-
cordance with the plan and directions of the City Council
of 1860. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861.

The Common Council have 373.

ing amended the order to refer to the Committee on July Fourth June 10. 1861
the order proposing to dispense with the dinner by adding at Independence
N. (see page 356) with instructions to dispense with the dinner Dinner
on that day: said action came up for concurrence. Read and
this Board concurred therein by the following vote. Yes, Alder-
men - Imory, Gilson, Fairman, Prince, Hall, Fiedler, Spinner and
Wilson & Nay, Alderman Clark 1.

Whereas, certain Lots of Land Worcester
sold by the City of Boston, lying on the northern side of Court Square
in Square, and numbered twenty two and twenty three, it appeared
in the numbering of said Worcester Square as represented
upon a plan, recorded in Book numbered two page one
hundred and forty-six of Plans of City Land sold in the
office of the Superintendent of Public Land, in which two agree-
ments of sale were given by the City dated May 16th 1859 con-
taining among other conditions the following to wit: "I during
ing-house as hereinafter described shall be erected and com-
pleted ready for occupancy within two years from the first day
of May, 1859." and whereas said ing-house were not erected
upon the said lots within the time appointed, so that the
said conditions have not been complied with, and remain
unfulfilled whereby the said lots upon the second day of
May 1861, instant, became forfeited to the City, now therefore it
is ordered: That the aforesaid lots numbered twenty-two and
twenty three on Worcester Square, as represented on a plan
recorded with Plans of City Land sold in Book numbered
two page one hundred and forty-six, in the office of the Super-
intendent of Public Land, be and the same are hereby

374 decided to be invited to the City of Boston, for non-fulfillment
June 10. 1861 and breach of conditions of sale thereof, and that the Superintendent of Public Lands be and he is hereby directed to take possession of the abovesaid Lots in behalf of and to the use of the City of Boston. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and on motion of Alderman Perkins referred to the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. June 13. Came up concurred.

Morse

Petition of Sidney B. Morse that the City would sell to him its interest in the back wall of House No. 22 Bedford Street or permit him to open windows therein. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. June 13. Came up concurred.

Normal
School

Petition of Normal School Committee that the City would purchase the Natural History Society's estate on Mason Street and add the same to said Normal School estate. Referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. June 13. Came up concurred.

German
Volunteers

Petition of First Company of German Volunteers (now under arms) for some assistance from the City to subsidize their members. Referred to the Joint Special Committee on the Military Fund. Sent down for concurrence. June 13. Came up concurred.

Lawrence
& Bigelow
District

The Common Council having non-concurred with the action of this Board on the fourth instant respecting the purchase of a lot of land in the Lawrence

ance and Signal District for a Primary School House. Said subject was returned to the Board for further action, and on June 11 1861 thereupon this Board receded from its amendments at A and B proposed on the fourth instant (see page 357) and concurred with the Common Council in the passage of the order, with the amendment at C. insert "provided a lot 115 by 105 1/2 feet can be procured at a rate of not more than three cents per sq. ft." See. Amos Clark, Gideon, Fairmont, John Pray, Peter Spinnery, Milton G. Sayer none. Sent down for concurrence. June 13. Came up for concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, June 17. 1861

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to remove the iron pavement allowed to be placed down in Congress Street last year, and to move the iron blocks, subject to the direction of the Committee on Paving, as to what disposal shall be made of the same. And to replace said iron pavement with Trip Rock Blocks. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861

Ordered: That the Board accept and adopt the revised grade of F. Street between Sixth and Seventh Streets. Seventh Street between E. and Rochester Streets. First Street between G. and H. Streets; and the grade of Swan Street between Franklin and Rochester Streets the said grade being shown on plans and profiles of said Streets made by James H. Wade, City Engineer, dated June 10th 1861, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby authorized under the

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direction of the committee on Internal Health to purchase for the use of said department from time to time during the present Municipal Year such quantities of Hay and Grain and such Horses as said committee shall deem necessary for said Department. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861.

Chapman
Place

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer in Chapman Place and that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct a common Sewer in said Chapman Place and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861.

Pine
Street

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a Sewer in Pine Street between Putnam and Prescott Streets, and that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct a common Sewer in said Pine Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861.

North
Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a sewer in North Street between Essex and Richmond Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 17. 1861.

The resolve and order submit 377.

led at the last meeting of the Board to widen Harrison Avenue by taking land of Holmes Hinkley and others were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 31. Came up non-concurred. Vide 1862 page 90.

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Harrison Avenue

A lease from the City of Boston to Titton and Baker of the Eastern Railroad Wharf for three years from February 1. 1861 at an annual rent of fifteen hundred dollars was approved by the Board.

Lease

A lease from the City of Boston to Charles P. Chamberlin of the Charles Street Wharf for three years from April 1. 1861 at an annual rent of twelve hundred dollars, was approved by the Board.

Lease

Ordered That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters at Nos. 140 and 172 on Federal Street to furnish new edgestones in front of their respective estates within twenty days. And that in default thereof the same will be done by the City at their expense according to law, as said street is to be repaved.

Federal Street

On petition of Joseph Eustis and others that Dover Street may be made passable at the earliest moment possible the Committee on Paving reported that no action is required thereon as the prayer of the petitioners will be accomplished in a short time. Read and accepted.

Eustis

Dover Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade First Street between Land P. Street. Estimated cost one thousand dollars. Read once.

First Street.

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Waltham
Street
to pave

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Waltham Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost two thousand dollars. Read once.

Waltham
Street
sidewalks.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said Waltham Street, who have not laid their sidewalks with brick or flat stones within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the City, at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Franklin
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade, and pave Franklin Street between Washington Street and Hawley Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost one thousand dollars. Read once.

Franklin
Street

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said Franklin Street, who have not laid their sidewalks with brick or flat stone to

have them laid within twenty days. And that in default thereof the same will be done by the city at their expense according to law. Read once.

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Jan 10. 1861

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair the gutters in Bowdoin Street between Beacon Hill and Beacon Street, and make such changes in the grade of said street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the city; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost four hundred dollars. Read once.

Bowdoin
Street

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to replace the curbs on said Bowdoin Street to furnish new edgestone to support the sidewalk. as the present ones are insufficient for that purpose. and that in default thereof the same will be done by the city at their expense according to law. Read once.

Bowdoin
Street
edgestone

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade the portion of Arlington Street belonging to the city, and to set edgestone and pave the gutter on the line of the sidewalk of the Public Garden on said Arlington Street. Estimated cost three thousand dollars. Read once.

Arlington
Street

Ordered: That there be paid to Mary B. Parker for her services, and for the hire of the late Abram

Parker

380. it takes the sum of three thousand dollars, to land taken to
June 10. 1861 widen Kingston Street, and to all damages occasioned thereby;
upon her giving to the City a Deed to the same, and an ac-
quittance and discharge to all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read
once.

Laurence

Ordered: That there be paid
to Amos S. Laurence the sum of seven hundred and fifty six
and 70c dollars, for land taken to widen West Street August 13. 1860
upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an ac-
quittance and discharge to all damages, costs and expenses in
consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out
and widening streets. Read once.

Adjourned to Tuesday the eighteenth instant at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday
the eighteenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1861

Present,

The Chairman, and all the Aldermen.

Lenny

Petition of Daniel Lenny
for abatement of an assessment for construction of a street in

Commercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

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Petition of Gent's National Ice
Company to leave to exhibit said company on the Public
Garden from the week from July 1st. Referred to the Committee on
Common and Licenses.

Petition of Ignatius J. Kelly for
appointment as a Weigher of Coal. Referred to the Committee on
Finance.

Petition of Andrien H. for leave
to exhibit a Panorama of the War, at the Melodion. Referred to
the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Thomas J. Bingham
to leave to move a wooden building from Howard Street through
Harrison Avenue to Washington Village. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

On nomination by the Mayor
Frederic J. Wright was appointed a member of Steam Engine
Company No 1. Charles E. Ingham of Hose Company No 2. Al-
bion H. Gifford of Hose Company No 4. William J. Young of Hook and
Ladder Company No 1.

On nomination by the Mayor
George L. Tickeron was appointed a Special Police Officer for
the Quarantine Station at Deer Island. Emanuel Mendis a
Special Police Officer at the Boston Post Office.

On nomination by the Mayor
John Brooks was appointed a Weigher of Bundle Hay and Straw.

Ice

Common

Kelly

Andrien

Bingham

Fire

Department

Special
Police

Hay and Straw

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High

Street.

given that the Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of extending the Common Sewer in High Street towards S. Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall derive any benefit therefrom: The person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Quimby

Petition of Gilman M. Quimby

by, a contractor to build a sewer for the Public Land Commissioners respecting the peculiar difficulties which has encountered and asking some relief in the premises. Referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. June 20. Came up concurred.

Huntington

Police Station

No 3

Petition of F. D. Huntington and

others that the cells in the new Station House or District No. 3 may be so constructed as to keep the male and female prisoners in separate apartments. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. June 20. Came up concurred.

Townsend

Request

Public Library

His Honor the Mayor's communi-

cation as follows: Boston June 18. 1861. To the Honorable the City Council, Gentlemen: I have the honor to transmit, herewith, a communication from the Executors of the late Miss Mary Townsend, in relation to a request to the Public Library and respectfully recommend that it be referred to the Committee on the Public Library, for such action as may be deemed expedient for the

M. Nightman, Mayor. City Hall. Boston June 18th 1861. Page 383.

A. Nightman Esq. Mayor of the City of Boston. To the Hon. the June 18. 1861

Mary P. Townsend by her will gave the residue of her estate to her executor, in trust to pay and dispose of such sum or sums to such Charitable and Public Institution, as they may think meritorious. Her executor died in the City of Boston for the benefit of the Public Library, ten thousand dollars, on the following conditions, viz: in trust that the whole income of this fund, but its income only, shall in each and every year hereafter, be expended in the purchase of books for the use of the Public Library of the City, by its Trustees or other persons having lawful authority in the premises: each of which books shall have been published in some one edition at least five years at the time it may be so purchased; and on the further trust, that if, from any cause whatever the capital of the fund above given, shall, at any time become diminished in value, then the income thereof shall be added to the same capital, until its original amount shall be fully restored, and made good. If the City will accept this appropriation the executors are now prepared to transfer the amount. Respectfully your obedt Servts. W^m Minot and W^m Minot, Jr. execs of Miss M. P. Townsend. Read and referred to the Committee on the Public Library. Sent down for concurrence. June 20. Came up concurred.

Communication from Eastern

Rail Road Company respecting the condition of the Eastern Rail Road Wharf which requires repairs. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. June 20. Came up concurred.

Eastern

Rail Road

June 18, 1861 That a right to drain his estate on the Old Mill Grounds may be afforded him. Referred to the Board of Public Land Commissioners, sent down for concurrence. (See page 406)

Assessor

The Common Council having elected Edward F. Johnson as a Principal Assessor in place of John S. Richardson chosen by this Board: said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Assessor, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 12, the majority in choice of Edward F. Johnson had 7, John S. Richardson 4, Francis A. Greene 1. So said Johnson was chosen in concurrence.

Institutions

The Committee on Ordinances, to whom was referred an order requesting them to define the duties of the Committee on Public Institutions, having duly considered the subject, beg leave to report that as ordinarily the name or designation of a standing committee, without any ordinance, order, or rule prescribing the same, indicates their general duties, not only with respect to matters appropriate to be referred to them to decide upon, but also as to their general superintendence and supervision of a particular department, irrespective of any vote, there can but seldom arise any controversy as to the proper committee to which a subject should be referred; but as all committees are the mere creatures of the body appointing them, that body can refer and ought to refer to them whatever the right to refer to any committee, however inappropriate, and no subject that may arise, and further, inasmuch as it may be to the purpose for which the committee was originally appointed.

printed, and of the propriety or expediency of any such refer- 385.
ence, the body making it should and must be the sole judge, June 16/1881
and your Committee believe that no legislative body should
except where absolutely indispensable, be hampered by defining
by express order, vote, ordinance, or otherwise, the duties of any
committee, but that each subject necessary to be referred, should
be referred to that committee which the circumstances of the
case at the time, indicate to be the proper one. Your Committee
would also add, that if the particular duties of one committee are
to be prescribed, it will become a precedent, and the question
will most naturally suggest itself, why should not the duties
of all committees be defined? and in the opinion of your
Committee, the defining or limitation of the respective duties of
different committees, inasmuch as no human foresight can
anticipate or provide for all subjects that may arise, would be
fruitful of controversy, close the free action of the City Council,
and be productive of no benefit whatever. Besides, if the par-
ticular duties are to be defined by an order of one branch of the
City Council, it will be readily perceived that the order will
not necessarily be of any permanency, as it can be supersed-
ed in any case by a reference to a different committee from
that printed out in the order; and if the duties are to be defin-
ed by a joint rule or order, then either branch of the City Council
could be prevented by the other branch from making a different
reference; and if by ordinance, the difficulties would only increase,
as the ordinance could not be repealed except by the concu-
rent action of both branches and the approval of the Mayor;
and thus what is an inherent right, and ought always to
be a reserved right of every legislative branch of government,

386. namely, the free and uncontrolled power of investigating
June 18. 1861 any subjects coming before it by the agency of such com-
mittees, only as it seems appropriate, would be entirely left
in curay, and the free and independent action, in this
respect, of either branch of the City Council be controlled by
the other branch. Your Committee therefore report that the
Committee on Public Institutions have only such duties as are
implied by the designation and name of that Committee,
and can only have such other duties and powers as the
City Council may from time to time in their wisdom by ex-
press vote confer, and in view of these considerations, that
it is inexpedient to attempt to define in detail the particu-
lar duties of that committee. In conclusion, your Committee
would beg leave to say further, that they believe that the inter-
ests of the City would be greatly promoted and sub-served by
having each department of our municipal government under
the general and ordinary, but not exclusive visitatorial, super-
intending and supervisory power of some one committee, and
by which committee, as a matter of course the wants and ne-
cessities, crisis and abuses of such department should be inves-
tigated and reported to the City Council, and which commit-
tee should be the ordinary, but not exclusive medium of
communication between such department and the City
Council, and thus there would devolve upon the respective
committees a personal individual responsibility for the proper
administration of every branch of the municipal service; de-
fects would be more speedily detected and more effectually re-
sisted, improvements suggested, the members of the City Council
more intimately familiarized with all the internal workings

and minutes of our two departments apparently comparatively unimportant, and the machinery of the government as a whole, be more harmonious, efficient, and economical. In the Committee, Thomas C. Mory, Jr. Chairman in Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Petition of the Trustees of Augustus Thordike's estate for statement of law for the year 1860. Referred to the Committee on the Treasurers' Department. Sent down for concurrence. June 20. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make his annual report of the receipts and expenditures of the City and County for the financial year 1860-61, in print, and that he cause the usual number of copies to be distributed for the information of the inhabitants of the City, according to the requirements of the fifty first section of the City Charter; and that there be appended thereto copies of the Treasurer's accounts for the same year. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

On motion of Alderman Welch the Board took from the table the order submitted to the Public Land Commissioners authorizing a loan of Twenty Thousand dollars to meet the expenses of that department and the question being on the passage of the said order as recorded page 371, the Yeas and Nays were taken thereon, as follows: Yeas: Aldermen Mory, Clark, Gibson, Stanton, Butler, Cushman, Rice, Gray, Wick, Spinney, Wilson 11. Nays none. Alderman Foster. The said order was passed in concurrence. Reported by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

June 18. 1861 amended the order, which passed this Board in March 11. authorizing the Committee on Public Buildings to purchase land in front of the Boston Street School House by striking out from Primary School and order the word directed and inserting "authorizing" said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

Fire House
Washington
Village

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to purchase a lot of land on corner of Larchester and Jenkins Street if the same can be had for a price not exceeding one thousand dollars and to erect thereon a Fire House for a Hand Fire Company for a further sum not exceeding one thousand dollars. Ordered: That the sum of two thousand dollars be transferred from the appropriation for the Assested Fund to meet the expenditure necessary for the erection of a Fire Company's House in Washington Village. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 20. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 21. 1861.

Field
Driver

Maurice B. Rowe was appointed a Field driver and Fund keeper within and for this city. Sent down for concurrence. June 20. Came up concurred.

Company 3.
2^d Battalion

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Armories the armory of Company 3. Second Battalion of Infantry at Brighton Hall was appraised by the Board. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

The order submitted at the last 389

meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade and pave the gutters of such portion of Arlington Street as belongs to the City was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

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Arlington
Street

The order submitted at the First

last meeting of the Board to grade First Street between E and P Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

First
Street

The orders submitted at the

last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Waltham Street, and for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters to lay their sidewalks, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

Waltham
Street

The orders submitted at the last

meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair the gutters in Bowdoin Street between Beacon Hill and Beacon Street and for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters to furnish new edgestones were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

Bowdoin
Street

The orders submitted at the

last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade and pave Franklin Street from Washington to Hawkey Streets and for the Chief of Police to notify abutters thereon to lay their sidewalks within twenty days, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

Franklin
Street

June 18. 1861

Parker

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Hiram B. Parker and others, Three thousand dollars for land taken to widen Kingston Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 19. 1861.

Laurence

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Amos A. Laurence seven hundred and forty five $\frac{2}{100}$ dollars for land taken to widen West Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 19. 1861.

Highland,
Eighth &
Goddard
Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of sewers in Highland Street between Eighth Street and Vale Street, in Eighth Street between Highland Street and Dorchester Street, and in Goddard Street between Dorchester and E. Streets, said subjects were recommitted to the Committee on Sewers.

School
Committee
vacancy

A message was received from the School Committee stating that a vacancy exists in that body caused by the removal from the City of John W. Ludman of Ward 5 and proposing a convention of the said Committee and this Board on the first of July next to fill said vacancy; and that notice thereof be published pursuant to law. Read, and thereupon ordered that a message be sent to the School Committee stating that this Board concurs in said proposition.

Silver &
F. Streets
sewer

Order for establishing a new assessment for construction of sewer in Silver and F. streets pursuant to an order of Mayor and Board of Aldermen passed June 4. 1861. Whereas, pursuant to an order of this Board, passed

on the twenty first day of July 1861, public notice thereof having 341
first been given, a common sewer has been constructed in Sil- June 18, 1861
ver Street between Dorchester and 3rd Street and in 3rd Street be-
tween Silver and Fourth Streets, the cost of which was eight hun-
dred and eighty dollars and eighty three cents, one quarter part
whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains
six hundred and sixty dollars and sixty two cents to be charged
to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore
Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule herunto an-
nexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charg-
ed and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective
names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said
sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice
thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.
Read twice and passed.

Ordered: That from the first day of July until the first day of November next, all vessels ar-
riving at this Port which have any sickness on board, or
which may have had any such sickness during the voy-
age, or which have come from any place where malign-
ant diseases at any time prevail, shall be required to re-
port themselves to the Port Physician, at Quarantine, before pro-
ceeding to the City. No vessel coming within the above named
conditions, can leave Quarantine, or discharge her cargo or
any part thereof, without the written permit of the Port Phys-
ician, who is hereby authorized and instructed to take any
measures, in regard to such vessels, and to make such rules
and regulations for their government, while in quarantine,
as in his judgement the security of the health of the City may

392 require. And, for the permit so granted, the said Port Physician
June 18. 1861 shall have the right to demand and receive from each ves-
sel, her master, or owner, the fee which it has been customary
to charge at this Port in like cases. Ordered, That the Harbor
Master and the chief of Police be and they are hereby direct-
ed to cause the provisions of the foregoing order to be strictly
enforced.

East Lenox
Street

Ordered: That the Superinten-
dent of Health with the aid of the chief of Police be and he
is hereby directed to remove from the premises in East Lenox
Street a Shamuel Place, which have been declared by this
Board to be in a state of nuisance and dangerous to the In-
habitants, such occupants, as have not complied with the pre-
vious order of this Board dated May 27. 1861. Ordered: That the
Superintendent of Health see that said premises are not again
occupied until measures have been taken to provide proper vaults
and drains for the tenements in said East Lenox Street.

Public
Instruction

The Committee on Ordinance,
who were directed by an order of the City Council, dated
the fourteenth of March last, to report an ordinance defining
the duties and prerogatives of the Committee on Public In-
struction, reported as per City Document No. 21, that no ordinance
such as that required by the order is desirable; and unless it
is the pleasure of the Council to commit with more positive
instruction, we beg leave to report that it is inexpedient to legis-
late. In the Committee. Thomas C. Amory, Jr. Chairman. In common
Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read,
and on motion of Alderman Weston laid on the table.

The Committee on Ordinances, 343

who were instructed by an order of the City Council to amend
so much of the Fire Ordinance as relates to the organization of
Steam Fire Engine Companies, so that it may conform more
nearly to the pre-existing organization of said Companies, they
considered the subject and beg leave to report. That they respectfully
recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance,
which they believe will conform more nearly to the existing condi-
tion and wants of the Fire Department than the Ordinance now
in force. For the Committee. Thomas C. Snow, Chairman. By Com-
mon Council Read and accepted and the Ordinance passed
with these amendments: Sec. 1. At 1. insert
"firemen". Sect. 2. At 3. insert "and the Board of Engineers may
recommend to the City Council a suitable person to be the
Secretary of Engineers". Sect. 28. At 6. strike out "l" in "firemen"
and wherever it occurs in the same word in said ordinance.
Sect. 30. At D. insert "annually at least, or". At E. insert "by the Com-
pany as aforesaid within one week from the date of reception of
notice of such rejection". Sect. 46. At F. insert "and except those
cases in which he shall fail to hear the alarm in the night
time by reason of the omission to give or sound the alarm in the
Fire District in which he lives". At G. strike out "fifty" and insert
"twenty five". After Sect. 46. at H. insert a new section as follows:
"Sect. 47. The Board of Engineers, notwithstanding the provisions
herein contained may, with the approval of the Mayor grant
to any officer or member of the Fire Department, if that officer shall
think it compatible with the interests of the Department, a vaca-
tion not exceeding two weeks in any one year upon such terms,
if any, as may seem proper to the Board. And the Mayor with the

Fire
Department
Ordinance

Sept 18, 1866
advice and consent of the Board of Aldermen may, if they see fit whenever any member or officer of the Fire Department shall by reason of such vacation or sickness or otherwise not attend to his duties in the department select a substitute. Amend the numbers of the subsequent sections to correspond with the number of said new section. Sect 57, (late 56) at 9 inserted "present" came up for concurrence read and laid upon the table and said amendments were ordered to be printed.

Cambridge
Railroad

The Committee on Paving on the petition of the Cambridge Rail Road Company for an extension of their location through Chardon Street toward Bowdoin Square, one hundred and twenty five feet, about the accompanying order of location, distant from the present terminus nearly five feet, the said location being satisfactory to the Aldermen in Chardon Street and the Rail Road Company. For the committee, Geo. W. Parmenter. Ordered: That in addition to the right already granted to the Cambridge Railroad Company to lay down tracks on the streets of the City of Boston, the right is hereby granted to said Cambridge Railroad Company to extend their single track from its present terminus in Chardon Street at the westerly corner of Hawkins Street, westerly up Chardon Street a distance of ninety five feet with authority to construct a normal fifty two feet in length alongside of said extension. The right to lay down the extension of track authorized by this order of location is granted under the express proviso and condition that said Cambridge Railroad Company agree that the provision and conditions contained in the order of location granted to the said Cambridge Railroad Company shall

25. 1860, in relation to keeping at all times the whole of the
railway a continuous in complete repair, and the repairing of
it, the running of the cars from either part of Cambridge &c,
the manner in which the work of laying down the track
shall be done, the form of rail and the size of the granite
blocks to be used, and the sum to be paid into the city treas-
ury semi-annually, shall be complied with in their full force
and effect in the construction of the extension of track and
turnout, authorized by this order of location. ^A It is further
expressly provided and condition to the location of the extension
of track and turnout, granted under authority of this order, that
said Cambridge Railroad Company shall accept the order
of location and agree to comply with its several provisions
and conditions in writing within twenty days of
the date of its passage & file said acceptance and agreement with the
city clerk, otherwise it shall be null and void. Ordered, That
so much of the order of location passed July 25. 1860 as au-
thorized the Cambridge Rail Road Company to lay down
a turnout in Stanton Street, north of Franklin Street, &c
and the same hereby is rescinded and declared null and
void. Read twice and assigned for consideration to Mon-
day next.

Agreeably to the report of
the committee on Licenses leave was granted to Thomas
H. Williams to keep an Intelligence Office at 85 Caner Street.

Intelligence
Office

Agreeably to the report of the
committee on Licenses leave was granted to L. L. Francis to run
cabs through Newington Street, Dock Square, Union Street, &c.

Harlow

396 are that Salem St., Pine St., to Marlboro Bridge and
June 18. 1861. return by the same route.

Spaulding
& Rogers

The Committee on Common &
Lenses to whom was referred the petition of Spaulding and
Rogers for leave to give a question tournament in the Public
Garden for one week from July 1st reported that leave be granted
on condition said Company pay one thousand dollars for
the use of the ground exclusive of the day to Police. Read
and laid on the table.

Johnson

On petition of William Johnson
to be paid for damage done to change of grade in North St.,
the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave
to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Brigham

On petition of Thomas Brigham
for leave to move a wooden building from Hays Way through Tal-
bot St. to High St., the Committee on Paving reported
that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Barnard

On petition of John M. Barnard
that the terminus of the Cambridge Railroad track in Chardon
Street may be extended to Bowdoin Square, the Committee on
Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ticknor

On petition of Ticknor, Fields & Co.
that as carpenter is prohibited from placing a wooden building
in South Cedar St., the Committee on the Fire Department report
that the case is not one which calls for the interference of the
City. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Licenses 397.

to whom was referred the petition of David F. Matthews, an
innkeeper from East Boston, beg leave to recommend the
passage of the accompanying order. To the Committee, John F.
Pay, Chairman. Ordered: That a license be granted to David
F. Matthews to run a line of omnibuses from East Boston
through Cambridge, Cambridge, Chelsea, North Square, South
and Summer Streets, on the East Boston and Chelsea Lines
through Commercial, Fleet, Munroe, Court, Washington and
Summer Streets to the Post Office, and return by the same route
excepted and the order passed. Recorded on page 400

The Committee on Paving on 400

the memorial of David F. Pay and A. S. Ditcher, in relation to
the iron pavement in Congress Street, report that as the said
pavement is to be removed from Congress Street, no action is re-
quired on said memorial on the part of the Board of Aldermen.
To the Committee Geo. H. Sumner. Read and accepted

The Committee on the Assessors 400

Department beg leave respectfully to represent that upon a
petition of Stephen F. Tugge, a statement of facts which was
referred to them in February last, they ordered a hearing but the
petitioner failed to be present. The Committee reported upon the
best facts they were able to get, that he have leave to withdraw.
They have since learned that Mr. Tugge paid taxes upon prop-
erty not his own, and they recommend, as a matter of equity, the
passage of the following order. To the Committee John F. Pay, Chair-
man. Ordered: That the Treasurer or some he directs is directed to

1858. remit to Stephen T. Angell the sum of fifty seven dollars and
June 18 1861. twelve cents the same being the amount of tax paid to him
on certain real estate on Mercer Street in the years 1857, 1858, and
1859. Read once.

That it appears to this Board
that it is necessary to provide for the construction of a sewer in Lake Street
between Rochester Bay and Highland Street, in Highland Street
between Lake and Eighth streets, in Eighth Street between Highland
and Rochester Street and in Goddard Street between Rochester
and 8th Streets, and that public notice of such intention has
been given, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Streets
and Highways be directed to construct a common sewer in
said Lake Highland, Eighth and Goddard Streets, and to report
a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law.
Read once.

Ordered, That there be paid to John
J. Mahoney the sum of two hundred dollars in full compensa-
tion for and all claims for damage to his white lot No. 20,
and 205 South Street in consequence of a change of grade
made upon his premises, he title to said lot and the relocation
of the city water line and upon his giving to the city an acquit-
tance and discharge of all damage, cost and expenses in con-
sequence of said change of grade; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for turning &c. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Mon-
day the twenty fourth day of June, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Twenty two Grant Juras drawn
for the Superior Court and Thirty two Juras drawn for
Superior Court (Criminal session).

A communication from the City
Register of Deeds respecting the loss and recovery of certain docu-
ments in said office. Referred to the Committee on County Ac-
counts.

Petition of Josiah Dunham and
others for a common sewer in Sullivan Street. Referred to the
Committee on Sewers.

A communication from the Di-
rector for Public Institutions suggesting that a Branch of the
House of Correction be established at Deer Island. Referred to
the Committee on Institutions on the part of this Board.

Petition of Charles F. Rand &
others that "Grant Jura" may be used with due regard to
the Committee on Stamps.

Petition of Sarah N. Hastings
to be relieved from inconvenience and danger resulting from
the condition of Sullivan Street. Referred to the Committee on In-
ternal Health.

Petition of John Ulrich to be
relieved from the damages occasioned by improved drainage

400 in Tabin Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal
June 24 1861 Health.

roadway

Company

Petition of Broadway Railroad
Company that a report upon their petition for extension of loca-
tion and a report upon the same be referred to the Committee
on Paving.

Survey

Petition of John A. Tracy and
others that no change of grade be made in Goddard Street be-
tween I. and B. Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Walter

Petition of L. R. Walter and others
that the name of Luther Street may be changed to that
of Ellsworth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Pierce H^o

Petition of Pierce H^o for leave
to have a stand to hire trucks or wagons near the Custom
House. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Stephen Shore and
others for compensation for land taken
on Fifth Street to extend said street. Referred to the Commit-
tee on Street.

Constable

On nomination by the Mayor
Charles H. Ware was appointed a Constable of this City.

Fifth Street

sewer.

No person appearing to object to
the proposed construction of a Sewer in Fifth Street, the subject
was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers.

To pass, except William E. 401

Memorandum, appearing to object to the proposed laying out
of Hamburg Street through land of John Cook. Notice was
given and the other parties mentioned in the order of notice
passed June 4th, and recorded June 16th, and notice was
accomplished to the Committee in Street.

On the petition of Ira
Rand and others. Ordered, that due notice be given that the
Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, take into con-
sideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in
a Street between Second and Bolton Streets and in Bolton St.
between C. and D. Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof
on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into
such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall
receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objection thereto
he will then and there be heard.

A notice was received from
the heirs of Joseph Rand claiming a right in the premises
situate between their estate on Belmont Street and the estate of J. Stick-
ney. Read and placed on file.

Remonstrance of Joseph Frye
and others against the proposed location of a Fire House in
Washington Village. Read and laid on the table.

Ordered: That the Joint Rules
and Orders of the City Council be amended by adding thereto
the following section, viz: Section 14. Whenever by reason of ab-
sence from the City sickness or any other cause any member
of any joint standing or joint select committee shall be unable

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to attend the meetings of such committee a Substitute to act on such committee during his absence may be chosen or appointed in the same manner that the non attending member was chosen or appointed. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 26. 1861

Washington

Bill

for

Ordered: That the Committee on

the Fire Department be authorized to procure a hand fire apparatus to be located at Washington City and that a company be organized and established to consist of a Foreman, Steward and six firemen, the Foreman to receive fifty dollars annually, the Steward fifty dollars annually and the firemen thirty dollars each annually. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 27. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 28. 1861.

Mugger

The report and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board in favor of the statement of John W. W. Miller being an amount of money received upon the Muggers in the years 1857, 1858 and 1859 on an order in favor of Street were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 27. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 28. 1861

Salary

Bill

The Common Council having concurred with the Board in the passage of an act as adopted by the Board on the turnpike incident with the following amendments:—In Sect. 11. Strike out one thousand and insert twelve hundred. In Sec. 35. Strike out all the words between "Hand H. also all between I. and I. also all between sand & also all between sand & also all between sand & also all between

Hand M: also all between K and N also all between P and P. 403.
also all between L and M also all between Q and R. 404.
out fifteen and insert twenty two: also insert at Y 'no, no'
and brand' also insert at W 'no, no' and in Sec. 37. Strike out
at X 'thirteen' and insert 'twenty two': also insert at Y 'no, no'
and: Strike out at Z and brand: said action came up from
curious. And and this brand now enclosed in a
amendments. Sent down.

Whereas, certain lots of land
situate to the City of Boston lying on Springfield Street west
of Washington Street in said City and numbering seven
and fifteen on said Springfield Street as represented upon
a plan recorded in book numbered two, page one hundred
thirty one, of the City Land Map in the office of the
Superintendent of Public Lands, for which certain agreements of
sale were given by the City of Boston dated October 20th 1858,
and containing amongst other conditions the following, to wit:
a dwelling house as hereinafter described shall be erected
and completed within two years from the first day of May 1859,
to the satisfaction of the Mayor or some person by him appointed
and in case of failure so to erect and complete within the
said two years the land together with all improvements thereon
shall be declared forfeited; and whereas dwelling houses were
not erected upon the said lots to the satisfaction of the Mayor
or some person by him appointed, so that the condition
has not been complied with and remains unfulfilled, it is
by the said City upon the second day of May last became re-
fitted to the City, now therefore it is Ordained: That the aforesaid
lot numbering seven and fifteen on Springfield Street west

Springfield
Street
lot numbered
7 and 15

1104 of Washington Street as represented upon a plan recorded with
date 24.1861 plan of City and sold, book let, page one hundred and thirty
one in the office of Superintendent of Public Lands be and the
sum is hereby declared to be required to the City of Boston for non-
fulfilment and breach of conditions of sale thereof, and that the
Superintendent of Public Lands be and he is hereby directed to
take possession of the aforesaid lot in behalf of and to the use of
the City of Boston. Read in common council. come up for con-
currence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 26.
1861

Boat
Health

Ordered: That the Committee on
Internal Health be authorized to purchase a suitable boat for
the use of the Board of Health at an expense not exceeding
twenty five hundred dollars and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for Internal Health. Approved by the Mayor
June 26. 1861

Madwell

Ordered: That there be paid to Sarah
Madwell the sum of fifty dollars in full compensation for
any and all claims for damages to State St. Lane Street
caused by the change of grade of said Lane Street, upon her
proving her title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Council
and upon her giving to the City an acquittance and dis-
charge for all damages, costs and expense in consequence of
said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the
appropriation for raising grade of Lane Street Read twice and
passed. Approved by the Mayor June 25. 1861

Mahoney

The order submitted at the next
meeting of the Council to pay Mrs. Mahoney for her

Order for grade damages in North Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 26, 1861.

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The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the construction of a sewer in North, Highland, Eighth, and Goldard Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 26, 1861.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Cambridge Railroad in Boston Street. The question being on the adoption of the order for such extension recorded page 397. William Brewster moved to amend the same by inserting at the end of the order the following condition and proviso to this location that in all cases wherever the Cambridge Railroad Corporation are under any obligation or condition to keep in repair the whole or any part of the streets of this city, and after notice given from the Superintendent of Streets by direction of the Committee on Paving or this Board, to repair the same, and to attend thereto, said repairs shall be made by said Superintendent, and the expense thereof paid by said Corporation, and said Corporation shall be further liable to reimburse to the said City of Boston all damages that may be received against the same in consequence of the State of any street or part thereof, the keeping thereof in good repair is a condition of any location granted to this Board. The amendment prevailed, and the order as amended was adopted. Approved by the Mayor, June 26, 1861.

Cambridge
Railroad

Whereas it appears to the

and 27 186
Springfield
The
nuisance

Board that a nuisance exists on vacant land on Springfield
that caused it to be a nuisance and in its adjoining shops in said
premises, belonging to Oliver Kingman, which is dangerous to the
health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superinten-
dent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuis-
ance to be abated by filling in the same with good coarse
earth or gravel at the expense of said party, who, having been
duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance

Board

Richard

According to the reports of the
Committee on Licenses, William Hatch and William Fox were
appointed Magistrates of Law in this city.

Harlow.

On motion of Alderman Preston
the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at the last meet-
ing L. D. Harlow was allowed to run a line of Omnibuses through
Washington Street, Lock Street, Union Square, Summer & Prince
Street to Constitution Bridge and return by the same route; and
said subject was laid on the table.

Matthews

On motion of Alderman Preston
the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at its last meeting
leave was granted to David P. Matthews to run a line of coaches
from East Boston to Summer Street and the subject was laid
upon the table.

William

On motion of Alderman Hatch
the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at the last meeting
the petition of George William, to have it drawn to the Board
the old jail land was referred to the Board of Land commis-
sioners and said petition was thereupon referred to the com-

mittee on Streets

1107

June 21, 1901

Resolved

to be closed

To prevent accidents, and for the greater convenience of citizens and procession during the day and of persons visiting the Common on the evening of the Fourth of July 1901. That the following arrangements be made in regard to carriages: At ten o'clock A.M. carriages, wagons &c will be excluded from the streets through which the Municipal Procession will pass. At six o'clock P.M. all carriages, vehicles, wheelmen &c will be excluded from Sumner Street, at School and Beacon Streets, bounded at Science Street, then at Washington Street at Washington, New at Washington, Coulton Street and Square at Washington, Fremont at Civil Currier at Civil Street, Hancock at Providence, Church at Providence Street, Western Avenue at Civil Street, Charles Street at Chestnut Grove Street at Chestnut, Main Street at Mt. Vernon, New Street at Mount Vernon, Mount Vernon at Temple, Madison Street at Beacon Hill, Beacon Street at Somerset Street, until the fireworks are discharged and the people have left the Common.

Alderman Clark submitted to the Board the following order. Voted: That this Board will visit Washington Village, with a view to inspect its grade and drainage on day next at 10 o'clock. The question being on the passage of the above order it was voted that the committee on internal affairs visit the premises and locality described and report on such measures in relation to the same as they may deem expedient.

Washington
Village

The Seattle Railroad Company reported to the Board that the whole number of cars used

Sullivan
" "
railroad

108. upon their backs is twenty one. Read and placed on file.

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Perambulation

Ordered: That the City Clerk be directed to notify the Selectmen of the towns of Brookline and Lancaster and the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Roxbury, that the Board of Aldermen of this City propose to meet them on the lines of said towns of Brookline and Lancaster and said City of Roxbury, respectively, commencing with Lancaster) on Wednesday the tenth day of July next at nine o'clock, A.M. for the purpose of perambulating the lines between said Brookline, Lancaster, Roxbury and this City. Ordered: That the City Engineer prepare descriptions in duplicate of the boundary lines between this City and the towns of Brookline and Lancaster and the City of Roxbury.

Harbor Police
boat

Ordered: That the Committee on Police be and hereby are authorized to purchase the launch owned by S.C. and T.H. Norton for the Harbor Police for a price not exceeding seven hundred dollars, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for this. Read twice and passed. (Reconsidered see July 1st)

Simonds

On petition of Alvan Simonds and others that the City would purchase and preserve the Revolutionary Battery at South Boston Point, the Committee on the Common Council reported that it is inexpedient to take any action thereon the present year. Read and accepted.

Burham

On petition of Thomas F. Burham to leave to move a wooden building from Howard Wharf through Harrison Avenue to Washington Village, the Committee on Siding reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

On petition of Anti-Slavery 409.

at Lincoln Company for leave to give an exhibition in the Public Garden in one week from July 8th the Committee on Commerce reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

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Anti

Slavery

On petition of J. H. Flynn &

Flynn

others that a Gate now be constructed to the Fair on Seventh Street the Committee on Fairs reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Leave was granted to G. C. Quick

Quick

to exhibit a Hippopotamus in this City about July fourth next.

On petition of Daniel Denny

Denny

for abatement of an assessment for construction of a Fair in Commercial Street, the Committee on Fairs reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Leave was granted to Andrieu

Andrieu

to exhibit a Panorama of the Fair at the Metropole

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock. P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the first day of July, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Two Grand Jurors were drawn

for the Superior Court, Criminal Session.

Petition of Joseph Frye &

others that their remonstrance against the location of a Horse House in Washington Village may be taken from the table and considered by the Board. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Smith.

Petition of Abigail R. Smith for

an abatement of an assessment for construction of a Sewer in Commercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Bemis.

Petition of Luke Bemis for an

abatement of assessment for construction of a Sewer in S. Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Holland

complaint

to the Superintendent

of Health against the condition of the track of the New York Central or Holland Railroad in Ward 12, it being a nuisance. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Nelson

Remonstrance of John Nelson and

others against the location of a Stable in South Cedar Street. Referred to the Com^{tee} on Internal Health.

Dodge.

Remonstrance of Dodge, Geo.

bert &c against licensing any wagon stands at their premises.

at corner of Tilly and Dundas Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

July 1. 1861.

Petition of Jacob Edson to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Rockline Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Edson

Petition of J. H. Bay and others that River Street may be accepted as a public highway. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Bay

River Street

Petition of Daniel Gilfeather and others that Colony Street from Swan Street to Sixth Street may be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Gilfeather

Petition of William Johnson that his claim for damages for a change of grade in Sixth Street may be adjusted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Johnson

Petition of Daniel Denny and others that some relief may be afforded them from the neglect of the Midland Railroad Company to use or improve their tracks at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Denny

Petition of Henry Crocker and others that Lever Street from Warrington Street to Newmarket Avenue may be repaved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Crocker

Petition of Company G, 11th Regiment of Infantry for approval of their Armory at 21. Holland Street. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

Company G

11th

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Fire
Department.

On nomination by the Mayor
Frank B. Lusk was appointed a member of Hose Com-
pany No 1 and Walter Loring and William Welch mem-
bers of Hose Company No 8.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor
Edward A. Lusk and Ferdinand E. Hubbard were appointed
and confirmed as Police Officers of the City of Boston with all
the powers of Constables except the power of serving and exe-
cuting civil process.

Fire
Department
Exchange

Agreeably to the recommenda-
tion of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the dis-
charges of Robert B. Goddard from Hose Company No 1 George
J. Frost and George J. Marden from Hose Company No 2 were con-
firmed by the Board.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor,
Stephen Lynch was appointed a Special Police Officer at the
Fitchburg Railroad Station. Peter C. O'Brien a Special Police Officer at
the Avenue South Boston and Edward H. Henshaw a Special Police
Officer at Fort Winthrop.

W. Street
Botten Street
area

In answer appearing to report to
the proposed construction of a sewer in W. Street between Second
and Botten Streets and in Botten Street between E. and W.
Streets; said subject was recommended to the Committee on sew-
ers.

Ordinances
Com.

Notice was received from the Com-
mon Council that Francis Richards was appointed a mem-
ber of the Committee on Ordinances in place of David Gordon
absent from the City.

agent of the Union Solid Relief Fund praying that the city would
 contribute to him the amounts advanced to the relief of soldier
 families in this city and advance having been made on
 the assurance that the city would meet the same when he
 should so do. In common council. Read and referred to
 the Committee on Soldier's Relief Fund. Came up for concurrence.
 Read and concurred.

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Bond

Soldier's relief

The Joint Standing Committee

Turner

bequest.

on the Public Library to whom was referred the communica-
 tion of William Minot and William Minot, & executor of the
 Will of Miss Mary J. Turner which communication is dated
 on the fourteenth day of the present month of June addressed to
 His Honor the Mayor, having duly considered the subject matter
 of said communication respectfully recommend the passage
 of the accompanying order. In the Committee E. L. Tilton Chair-
 man. Ordered: That the donation of four thousand dollars
 tendered to this city for the benefit of the Public Library by Wm
 Minot and William Minot & Co. Executors of the Will of Miss
 Mary J. Turner be and the same is hereby accepted upon
 the terms set forth in the communication of said executor to
 His Honor the Mayor dated on the fourteenth day of June current;
 and it is also Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council
 be and the same are hereby tendered to said executor for
 the liberal donation. In common council. Read and accepted,
 and the order passed. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
 curred. Approved by the Mayor July 3. 1861.

The Common Council

Turner

Having insisted on its previous vote of the turnish anti-

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July 1. 1861. no on it amendments to the General Ord, thereby non con-
curring with this Board. Said action came up in concurren-
ce. Read and this Board voted to adhere to its previous
vote of the twentieth of May last upon said sections 11, 33,
26 and 37. Sent down.

Ballast

James Curtis the late Inspector
of Ballast, and Edward Hatch the present Inspector in
chief of Ballast submitted their reports exhibiting the num-
ber of vessels inspected and weighed during the quarter
ending June 30th. Read and sent down. In common coun-
cil. Placed on file.

Health

Ezra Foristall, the Superintendent
of Health submitted to the account of receipt and expenditures
in his office for the quarter ending June 30. Read and sent
down. In common council. Placed on file.

Lands

The Superintendent of Public Lands
submitted to the Board his report for the quarter ending June
30. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

City
Physician

Dr. J. S. Jones, City Physician, submit-
ted to the Board his report for the quarter ending June 30. Read
and sent down. In common council. Placed on file.

Streets

Alfred J. Turner, Superintendent
of Streets submitted to the Board his report for the quarter
ending June 30. 1861. Read and sent down. In common
Council. Placed on file.

to be indemnified for loss sustained at his in the case of information in August 1859. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. July 5 came up concurred.

Ordered: That the following

be paid for materials or labor furnished by persons connected directly or indirectly with the City Government, to wit: provided they are approved, audited and allowed in the usual manner, viz: John Brunsdale, thirteen hundred dollars; Laiden and Ingalls, two hundred and two dollars and sixty seven cents; one hundred and eight dollars and six cents; J. M. J. J., one hundred and ninety one dollars and nineteen cents; fifty eight dollars and forty one cents; fifty four dollars and thirty seven cents and fifty seven dollars and six cents. And it is ordered that the said dollars and six cents, and eleven dollars and fifty six cents. Geo. H. J. J., ninety two dollars and thirty cents; thirty one dollars and ninety six cents; twenty seven dollars and ninety three cents; eighteen dollars and twenty six cents, and twelve dollars and twenty six cents. And it is ordered that the said three hundred and eighty three dollars and eighteen cents. William A. Clark, two hundred and eight dollars and twenty two cents. J. C. Fallon, one hundred dollars. Crocker & Worcester, nine dollars and forty nine cents. And it is ordered that the said be sent down for concurrence. July 5 came up concurred. Reported by the Mayor July 6, 1861.

The Committee on Public Institutions to whom was referred the petition of the Board of Directors of Public Institutions that a House of Correction be established

116. Motion at Dec 2 and more numerous the subject and
July 1/1861 recommend that an ordinance be reported by the Ordinance
Committee for that purpose, so that the location may be made
legal. For the Committee, Jonathan Preston, Chairman. Read and
accepted, and the subject was referred to the Committee on
Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. July 5 Came up con-
curred.

Natural History

The Committee on Public In-

Society

struction, to whom was referred the report of the School Com-
mittee, that more accommodation is needed for the girls' high
and common schools would respectfully report, that the present
school lot contains about six thousand feet, and is so con-
tracted that any lofty building erected on the adjacent es-
tate to the north, now belonging to the Natural History Socie-
ty, will materially darken the windows and obstruct the
circulation of air. The society propose to erect a new building
on their cabinet on the Back Bay, and are disposed to
sell their present estate for a very moderate price. It con-
tains about sixty-six hundred feet, and the building, by
suitable and judicious arrangement can be arranged so
to afford the school all the accommodation it will need
in many years. The committee and that on Public Build-
ings have had the subject under consideration, and
concur in the opinion that the property should be purchased,
if it can be obtained at a moderate cost. We, consequently,
recommend the passage of the following order. For the Com-
mittee, Thomas C. Mearns, Chairman. Ordered, That the Com-
mittee on Public Buildings be authorized to purchase the
estate of the Natural History Society, on North Street, as an

addition to the Girls High and Normal School-house lot
and to make such alterations of the buildings on the es-
tate purchased, as said is approved by said committee
and the Committee on Public Instruction; said purchase and
alterations not to exceed, in cost, the sum of thirty-one thou-
sand dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be, and he is, au-
thorized to effect a loan of Thirty-one thousand dollars, to be
appropriated to the purchase of the estate of the Federal Store
located on Market Street, and its improvement, as an addi-
tion to the Girls High and Normal School. In Common Coun-
cil. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings with in-
structions to report a plan of the land, the size of the build-
ing and the adaptation of it for School purposes: also the cost
of making the necessary changes to fit it for use. Coming up for
concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein.

The Board of Land Com-
missions to whom was referred the petition of J. S. Howard
that he be compensated for a portion of their land situated
in Market Avenue between Union Park and South Wil-
liams Street have duly considered the same and would
report: That the City of Boston deeded to John L. Williams
a lot of land in Market Avenue between Union Park
and South Williams Street June 20th 1840, in accordance with a
plan recorded with him of said land sold, Book 2, Folio 31
in the office of the Superintendent of Public Land. That it
has been conveyed to said Williams and to his heirs
and assigns, and a portion of them conveyed to said
Williams to Solomon J. Rowe. Upon a general survey being

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Rowe

1118 made to the City Engineer and Alex. Fildworth, as it was
July 1. 1861 found that the City had actually deeded fifty eight square
feet of land more than was contained in the five lots, as
conveyed to Eln L. Williams in 1848. That said measure
recommend the passage of the accompanying order. To the
Commissioner, Saml. Fild, Chairman. Ordered: That the
City Engineer be and he is hereby authorized to pay messrs
Smith & May and Eln L. Fild, the sum of eighty six
dollars and thirteen cents, the same being for fifty eight square
feet of land which was sold in five lots as certified to by
the City Engineer and which was conveyed to the City to
Eln L. Williams, July 26th 1848, upon their giving such instru-
ment or instruments as shall be made satisfactory to the City
Solicitor; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for
Public Lands. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concu-
rence. July 5. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July
6. 1861.

Health.
City bond
condates
bond.

The Bond of Ezra Smith,
Superintendent of Health in the sum of Ten Thousand
Dollars, was approved by the Board.

The Bond of Charles H.
More, a Condute, having been first approved by the City Treas-
urer, was also approved by this Board: but it was not ap-
proved by the Mayor.

New
Street.

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Street be authorized to repair said Street, and
make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall
deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the
line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to be

all openings into said Street, which are not secured in ac-
cordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which
are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous,
and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair
after due notice to that effect. Ordered: That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify the abutters on said New Street to pro-
vide new edgestone in front of their respective estates within
ten days, the present ones not being sufficient to support
the sidewalk. And, that in default thereof the same will be
furnished by the City at their cost. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor, July 3. 1861.

Ordered: That there be paid
to George Richards the sum of five hundred dollars,
for work done, and materials found, in compliance with his
contract with the City made March 27th 1861 for moving back
buildings and making repairs thereon on South Street upon
his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge therefor;
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening
South Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor
July 3. 1861.

Agreeably to assignment the Board
proceeded to form a Convention with the School Committee
for the purpose of filling a vacancy in the latter body occa-
sioned by the resignation of John W. Laddman of Ward No. 5.
and Messrs. May and Messrs. Kimball and Stock having
been appointed a Committee to receive, sort and count
the votes, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was
114. Majority for choice 25, paper 2. Votes null 47. Ward 5.
Walter S. Kimball and votes was declared elected, and the con-

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Wm. H. Kimball

Richards

School
Committee
vacancy

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Fire
Apparatus

The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department having adopted certain rules for the better regulation and government of the Fire Apparatus of this City on the occasion of Harms of Fire, the same were submitted to this Board for its approval. Read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed. See City Document: 1st 39.

Harbor Police
boat

On motion of Alderman Rich

the Board recommended the vote whereby at a last meeting an order was passed for the purchase of the boat Allen for the Harbor Police; and said order was then laid on the table.

Auctioneers

Agreeable to the report of the Committee on Finance the following persons were appointed Auctioneers within and for this City, viz: Gintzovich and United, 24 1/2 Court Street; Clark & Son 10 Water Street; John Tyler of Kentucke Wharf; Samuel Hales corner of Water and Bath Streets; David A. Thompson No 10 Old State House; Thomas P. Rich 15 Pine Street; Edward P. Hall 21 City Street; W. F. Fols 70th St. 1st office Avenue; George A. Hightorn No 200 Bay Building; Joseph Morse No 53 Tremont Street; Reuben A. Adams 95 Hanover Street; William Howe No 39 Federal Street; Samuel Sewall 36 Hanover Street; Elmer Townsend, 45 Pearl Street.

Leechan
ruins
Saddard Street

The Committee on Paving on

the petition of John Lechan and others that Saddard Street may be graded, and the remonstrance of Charles Fuller and others against the same would report that it is in

expedient to take any action on the subject this year. Read and accepted.

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Whereas Mason Street has been ordered to be repaved and the edgework now supporting the sidewalks in said street are not deemed sufficient for that purpose it is hereby Ordered: That the City Engineer be directed to notify the owners and abutters on said Mason Street to furnish new edgework in front of their respective estates within twenty days. And in default thereof the same will be furnished by the City at their cost.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, George Hall was appointed a Weigher of Coal in this City.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to H. G. Taylor to give a Sparring Exhibition on Wednesday evening at the Grand Street Opera House.

On petition of J. C. Senachue & others for leave to exhibit a Mammoth &c on Public Garden the Committee on Common &c, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of James M. Jacobs and others that Concord Square be accepted by the City, the Committee on the Common &c, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Common &c, leave was granted to G. C. Quick &c to exhibit a Hippopotamus on the Public Garden.

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from the 3^d of July instant to the 6th of said July in payment of one hundred dollars for use of the premises exclusive of the expense of Police.

Sweetser

Leave was granted to J. E. Sweetser to give an exhibition of Magic and Fegeodemain at the School Street Opera House this week.

Smith

On the several petitions of Benjamin Smith to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Newton Street and of William E. Blanchard to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Chaumut Avenue, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ellsworth
Street

Ordered: That the name of Southac Street, be changed to that of Ellsworth Street, and that Southac Street be hereafter known and called Ellsworth Street. Read once.

Hamburg
Street.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Hamburg Street should be laid out, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to William E. Blanchard bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed Catharine line of the said street, there measuring seventy feet and seven inches: Northwardly by Mytic Street, ten feet: Southwardly by the center line of the said Hamburg Street, seventy feet and seven inches, and Southwardly to land hereinafter described as taken from Isaac S. Fairbanks and then ten feet: containing seven hundred and five square feet and so more or less. Also, several parcels of land belonging

to the following persons, viz: Isaac L. Sumner, James

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Smith, and J. B. Shaw, and Mr. Laughlin, dated July 1, 1861.

Mr. E. Kitter, James M. Laughlin, Alexander M. Lance, L. B. Shaw, James Binnegan, John L. Sumner, Patrick Cunningham, Mrs. Catharine Farren, W. L. A. Whitman, Andrew Hall, Dennis M. Elroy, J. P. Nichols, John Cook, H. M. Gitchfield, John M. Ginnis, Daniel Whelan, Richard Grease, G. W. Messinger and the City of Boston: the said several parcels

Smith,

Mr. Gough,

Mr. Laughlin

Mr. Kinch,

Petty,

Mr. Laughlin,

Mr. Lance

Shaw,

Binnegan

Sumner

Cunningham

Farren

Whitman,

Hall

Mr. Elroy,

Nichols.

Cook,

Gitchfield,

Mr. Ginnis,

Whelan,

Grease,

Messinger

City of Boston

being comprised in the following description:—beginning at a point in the easterly line of said Hamburg Street distant seventy feet and seven inches southeasterly from

Mytic Street; thence running southeasterly along the said southeasterly line of Hamburg Street two hundred &

ninety nine feet; thence southeasterly by Harrison Avenue,

twenty feet and $\frac{9}{100}$; thence southeasterly along the easterly line of Hamburg Street three hundred and twenty

feet and $\frac{78}{100}$; thence southeasterly by Mytic Street, ten feet;

thence southeasterly by land above described as taken from William C. Blanchard, seventy feet and seven inches,

and thence southeasterly, by the same, ten feet to the point

of beginning: containing six thousand, seven hundred square

feet, more or less. and Whereas, due notice has been given

of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of

land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereto

unto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of

land before described be, and the same hereby are taken

and laid out as a public street or way of the said City

according to a plan of the same made by James Glade City

Engineer, dated May 8th 1861, and deposited in the office of the

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1861. And this Board doth adjudge
that the expense of the said laying out of Hambro Street,
as aforesaid, will amount to three hundred dollars: which
sum together with the amount of estimates of previous altera-
tion or discontinuance in said street, during the present mu-
nicipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dol-
lars. Read once.

Fifth
Street

Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the extension of the sewer in Fifth
Street towards J. Street, and that public notice of such inten-
tion has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintend-
ent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to extend the common
sewer in said Fifth Street towards J. Street and to report a
schedule of the expense thereof to this Board pursuant to law.
Read once.

Potter

Ordered: That there be paid to
said Potter the sum of Three thousand dollars, for land
purchased to widen North Charles Street, in pursuance of an order
passed by the city Council and affirmed on the 3rd of March,
A. D. 1861, said land being a strip on the estate of said Potter
twenty feet wide by forty feet long, upon his giving to the city a
Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all
damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said widening,
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for lay-
ing out and widening streets. Read once.

Fourth
Street

Ordered, That the Superintend-
ent of Streets be authorized to pave Fourth Street from At-
lantic Street to Rochester Street, in conformity with the ap-

established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous, and to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated cost seven hundred dollars. Read once

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on said Fourth Street, to lay their Sidewalks with brick or flat stone within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the city at their expense, according to law. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the Third day of July, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Weston and Hagan.

Two Grand Jurors were drawn for Superior Court, Criminal Session

The Committee on the Fire Department, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Frye and others that their remonstrance against the location of

426. a Hose House at Washington Village may be taken up and
July 3, 1861. considered, reported, but no action is required thereon. Read and
accepted.

Company

The Committee on Armories to
whom was referred the petition of Company E. 20th Regiment
for approval of armor at 21 Portland Street, reported that said
armor be approved provided it be no expense to the City. Read
and accepted.

Special

Police

On nomination by the Mayor,
John E. Ashby and others to the number of two hundred and
eight were appointed and confirmed as Special Police Officers
for the third and fourth days of July instant. See the names
recorded in the book of City Officers kept by the City Clerk.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the Eighth day of July, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Piper

Petition of Solomon Piper
and others that Federal Street from Summer to Court Street
may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Dunham

Petition of Josiah Dunham to
be paid for damages sustained by change of grade on

Fifth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

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Petition of the Cambridge

Cambridge

Railroad Company to an alteration of one of the conditions of their location July 25, 1860, so that the South Avenue and East Cambridge Cars may run over Cambridge Street Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Railroad

On nomination by the Mayor, Luther A. Ham, who resigned his situation upon the Police Department, was appointed and confirmed as a Constable of this City.

Constable

On nomination by the Mayor

Police

Oliver Knitcomb was appointed Captain of Police Station No. 2. Capt. M. Combs was appointed Lieutenant in Station No. 2. Solomon G. Foster, Sergeant in Station No. 2, and William Conant was appointed a member of the Police Department of the City of Boston with all the powers of a Constable except the power of serving and executing civil process.

A certificate was received from the Common Council stating that Capt. G. Fenshaw was chosen a member of the Committee on Accounts during the present Municipal Year in the absence of Fred Curtis from the City. Read and placed on file.

Accounts

Committee

A certificate was received from the Common Council stating that Frederick Grant was appointed a member of the Committee on Claims during the present Municipal Year in the absence of Fred Curtis from the City. Read and placed on file.

Claims

Committee on

1128.

Resolved, that the thanks

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Crator
Thanks to.

of the city Council are respectfully presented to the Hon. Theophilus G. Parsons, for his very eloquent and patriotic oration before the Municipal Authorities of the city of Boston, on the occasion of the eighty fifth anniversary of the Declaration of the independence of the United States of America: and that he be requested to furnish a copy for publication. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

Oration
to print

Ordered: That the Committee

on Printing be instructed to procure the printing of one hundred extra copies of the Oration of the Hon. Theophilus Parsons, delivered before the Municipal Authorities of Boston July 4th 1861, for the use of the City Government. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1861.

Marshals

Resolved: That the thanks of

the City Council be tendered to Major Ralph W. Newton, Chief Marshal, and to his aids and assistants, for the most valuable services rendered by them in the formation and management of the Civic Procession on the occasion of the celebration of the eighty fifth anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

Escort

Resolved: That the thanks of

the City Council be presented to Major Samuel A. Leonard and the officers and members of the First Battalion of the

and the Second and Third Battalions of Infantry for the very prompt and acceptable manner in which they performed the duties of an escort to the City Procession, on the Fourth of July instant. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

Resolved, That the thanks of the City Council be tendered to the Chief Engineer, Assistant Engineers, and other officers and members of the Fire Department, for the very prompt and acceptable services rendered to them, at the celebration of the eighty-fifth Anniversary of the Declaration of the Independence of the United States. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be tendered to Messrs. Daniel H. Rogers, Charles A. Chase, Nathaniel M. Hay, Granville M. Clark, and Cornelius Scherbo, for the very able and acceptable manner in which they performed their duties as Judges of the Regatta on the Fourth instant. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

Resolved: That thanks be tendered to Frank Howard the Organist at the Tabernacle Temple, and to Howard M. Leav, the Organist at the Music Hall; also to Charles Butler and the choir of children under his direction, for the admirable manner in which they executed their portion of the services on the Fourth of July instant: And to Wm J.

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Adams, Esq; for the original and appropriate ode furnished by him on the occasion. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. - Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1861.

Chaplain.

Under

Resolved, That the thanks of the City Council are heartily tendered to the Rev. Geo. A. Stebbins, Chaplain, and to Mr. Henry G. Hurst, Reader of the Declaration of Independence, for the able and appropriate manner in which they performed their respective duties before the Municipal Authorities on the Fourth instant. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. - Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1861.

Barnard

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be tendered to Rev. G. F. Barnard and his corps of assistants for the able and effective manner, and for the pious devotion to the interests of the children of the City, with which their duties on the fourth of July were performed, at the children's celebrations. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. - Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

And.

to be

intended.

A. Resolved. That the thanks of the City Council be tendered to B. A. Burditt, Esq, for the energetic exertions made in the preparation for the Military Concert: and for its successful execution, in connection with the Band engaged therein on the fourth of July instant. Resolved also that our thanks be extended to Cobb's Battery of Artillery for their effective co-operation in the Concert. ^{B.} Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and this Band concurred therein with this amendment. Strike out all between

and B. and insert as follows. Resolved that the thanks of
the City Council be tendered to Major General Scott and the
officers and members of the Battery under his command for
their effective co-operation in the memorial presented to the
Boston Common on the fourth of the instant. Sent down for
concurrence. July 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
July 12. 1861.

Ordered: That there be paid
to George Jackson and John S. Richardson their salaries as
Permanent Assessors for the remainder of the quarter ending
July 1. 1861. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concu-
rence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861

The Common Council having
receded from its former votes on Section 36 and 37 of the
Salary Bill and concurred with this Board in the adoption
thereof but having also adhered to their votes of the 20th & 27th
ultimo on Sections 11 and 35 of said Salary Bill, said latter
action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board voted
to insist on its own previous votes of May 20 and June 24 on
said Sections 11 and 35. Sent down.

A petition was received
from Gilbert P. Gallup requesting the appointment of a Field
Driver and Pound Keeper at Washington Square. Read and
thereupon it was ordered that said Gilbert P. Gallup be appoint-
ed a Field Driver and Pound Keeper in this City. Sent down
for concurrence. July 11. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Pub-
lic Buildings, to whom were referred the papers from the City

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Jackson
Richardson

Salary
Bill

Field
Driver

City
Buildings

432. Council of 1866, relative to the construction of a city State at
July 8. 1861. the South End, have examined the matter in respect particu-
larly to the sufficiency of the territory set apart for the Inter-
nal Health Department, and are satisfied that a larger ap-
propriation of land will be required to answer satisfactorily
the demands of that department. They therefore recommend
the passage of the accompanying order, which will afford
the facilities deemed necessary for the build-houses connected
with the Internal Department, by adding ninety feet to the
longitudinal extent of the territory on the South Bay lands
set apart for the Sailing and Internal Health Departments.
The committee also recommend the passage of the order re-
ferred to them for the erection of a State. For the Committee,
Jesse Fisher Chairman. Ordered: That in addition to the land
on the South Bay set apart for the use of the Sailing and
Internal Health Departments, south of the Dockline Street-
Dock and east of Albano Street, a further lot of land ex-
tending ninety feet from the southern line of the land previ-
ously set apart, is hereby appropriated for the use of said
Departments, subject to the same notice and restriction as
the original lot. In Common Council. Read and referred to
the Board of Land Commissioners. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Nat. History
Society
City Council
Chair

The Committee on Public Build-
ings, to whom was referred the report and order made to
the Committee on Public Instruction recommending the purchase
of the estate belonging to the Natural History Society, situated
in Mason Street and contiguous to that of the city, used by the
Normal School, have, in accordance with the order, "passed

plan of the lot and the buildings thereon, and examined
them with reference to their adaptation to school purposes, and
respectfully submit the following Report. The present lot contains
606 sq. ft.; the proposed purchase, 6012 sq. ft.; the building now on
it is eight feet deep, and two stories above, and will furnish
upon the first floor four rooms, two of which may be used as a hall,
and one for other purposes: the latter are very much suited
for this school; on the second floor are three rooms, all of which
may be used by reference to the Lithographic Press, furnished
for the full information of the City Council. The building is a
thoroughly-built structure, and covered with imperial slate
and copper. The cost of the land will be, if it can be purchased
at thirty one thousand dollars, including the cost of con-
necting it with the present building, and other necessary al-
terations, exclusive of the furnishing and heating the rooms,
\$4.63 per square foot. The grammar school house cost about
\$0.29, and the primary about \$2.15 per square foot, exclusive of
the land. There is also one other consideration that should be
taken into account; should this property be sold to any party
that should erect buildings covering the whole land, our
present structure would of necessity have to be abandoned for
school purposes; there are some other school houses similarly
situated, which your committee hope to be able to protect at a
reasonable rate. Upon examination of the whole bearing on the
subject, and having ascertained that the cost of the neces-
sary alterations will be about twenty five hundred dollars,
your committee unanimously recommend the passage of the
order reported by the committee on Public Instruction. For the
Committee, Jonathan Foster, Chairman. In common council.

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Read and accepted and the order, as recorded page 416, for the purchase of the National Army Society estate, for the alterations of the buildings, for erecting fences, and for a loan of thirty one thousand dollars to pay for the same, were adopted. Was 36 Ayes, none came up for concurrence. Read and the Board concurred therein. The Aldermen James Clark, Gilson, Hanson, Hulch, Siermender, Gray, Austin, Rich, Spinner & Hilder. 11 Ayes none appeared by the Mayor July 13. 1861.

Institution

The Board of Directors for Public Institutions reported that the expenses in their Department for the last three months were as follows: House of Industry \$10,512. 16 House of Correction \$9,881.93; Lunatic Hospital \$7,558.48. Marine Army, Marine School, &c. Total \$36,334.44. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Harbor

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the communication from the Harbor Commissioners dated 22^d May, respectfully report that no action is necessary on the subject as provision already exists to meet the contemplated expenditures. To the Committee, G. H. Hightman, Mayor. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Eight Ayes up concurred.

Quincy

The Board of Land Commissioners to whom were referred the petition of Silman M. Quinn, Contractor, to build a wharf for the Public Land Commissioners, having attended to the same, would respectfully submit the following report: That the Board of Land Commissioners in March last, advertised to receive proposals for the construction of a wharf in Union and Albany Streets.

South Bay, in accordance with plans and specifications, as prepared by the Superintendent of Sewers; that four proposals were received, ranging from forty eight hundred and twelve dollars and sixty cents to eight hundred and twelve dollars, being the lowest bidder, and being well recommended to the Board as a responsible man, it was deemed advisable to award him the contract, upon his giving proper security for the faithful performance of the same. Under the authority of the Board, as his surety, the contract was duly executed by him. Since the award in behalf of the City, and by William H. Smith, Contractor, upon the 2^d day of April 1861, the sewer in Thuron Street to be completed before the 1st day of May 1861 and the sewer in Albany Street, on or before the 1st day of July 1861. The sewer in Thuron Street was duly completed, and seven hundred dollars paid thereon. Soon after Mr. Smith had commenced the sewer in Albany Street, he found it impossible to go on and complete the same, without he received a much larger sum than that fixed by the contract, therefore he abandoned the work on the 25th day of May. Afterwards the opinion of the City Solicitor being taken, it was found that the Board of Land Commissioners had no authority to act in the matter, nor could any action be taken in the premises until the expiration of the time expressed in the contract, and then it must be by the City Council. After due consideration of the whole subject, they would recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw; also the passage of the accompanying order for the Commissioners, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Also it came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 11, 1861.

Ordered: That the Superintendent

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Quimby

Emerson

ent of Public Lands be and he is hereby directed to notify Messrs Gilman M. Quimby and Charles Emerson, that the City of Boston intend to go on and complete the sewer commenced by them in Albany Street, South Bay, as per contract dated April 2^d 1861. It shall also be and shall hold them responsible for all damages which may arise on account of the non-fulfilment of said contract. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 11. 1861.

Firemen
of adjacent
towns

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be tendered to the Fire Departments of Salem, Cambridge, Dedden, Lynn, Roxbury, Charlestown and Chelsea, and to the authorities at the United States Navy Yard, for the very valuable and efficient services rendered by them at the recent fire on the south wharf in Albany Street and adjacent Boston. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Head

Alderman Wilson submitted to the Board the following notice: Resolved: That we learn with profound regret the decease of our late honored associate in the public service, George E. Head, who by his zealous devotion to the interests of his fellow-citizens, as well as by his estimable character in private intercourse, secured the respect and the affectionate regard of the government, which did very generously those of our constituents. Resolved: That the Mayor be requested to transmit a copy of the notice received with our respectful condolence, to the family of the deceased. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

since July 11. came up confirmed. Approved by the Mayor July 12. 1861.

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Market

Resolved: That the Committee be on the Market to and they are now authorized to lease the stalls and cellars under Faneuil Hall and in Faneuil Hall Market House for a term of three years from July 1st 1861 on the same conditions as are contained in the former lease with this exception, viz: That the Market shall be closed on Washington's Birth Day, Thursday 22nd and on Christmas Day: also on the day of the celebration of the Declaration of Independence, unless said occasion occurs on Saturday or on Monday, when said Market shall be closed at 9 o'clock, A.M. Said Market shall also be closed at 9 o'clock, A.M. on the 17th of June. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1861.

The order submitted to the

Potter

Board on the 1st instant to pay Andrew B. Potter the sum of Three thousand dollars for land on North Market Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

The order submitted to the

Fifth

Board on the first instant for the Superintendent of Streets to extend the Fifth Street Lane towards 3rd Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

Street

The orders submitted to the

Fourth

Board on the first instant for the Superintendent of Streets to pave 4th Street from Atlantic Street to Church Street and for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters to use their side

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walks within twenty days, were read a second time and were passed. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

Hamburg
Street.

The resolve and order submitted at the meeting of the Board on the first instant to extend and lay out Hamburg Street by taking land of William E. Blanchard and others were read a second time and were passed. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1861.

Common
Street

Ordered: That the Board of Land Commissioners be and they are hereby directed to take such measures for the completion of the Square in Common Street, with any as they in their judgment may deem to be for the best interest of the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1861.

Harbor Police
boat

On motion of Alderman Rich. the Board took from the table the order which was laid there on on the 27th of May last respecting a purchase of a suitable boat for the Harbor Police at an expense of one thousand dollars and the question being on the passage of said order, it was amended by striking out at \$ (see page 344) the word one thousand and inserting twenty five hundred and as thus amended, it was adopted. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1861.

Police

The report of the Chief of Police for the quarter ending June 30. 1861. was read and placed on file.

Cambridge
Railroad

A notice from the Cambridge Railroad Company, dated July 3. 1861. wherein they accept the

location granted to them in Union Hall to be held appeared Jan 1134.

26th inst, was read and placed on file.

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Soldiers

and

Union Hall

The Joint Special Committee on Soldiers' Relief submit the following order; the first in favor of the Relief Association of Union Hall is a simple act of justice, as that association continued its distribution of relief to the families of the volunteers in service after the passage of the Statute of May 23, in expectation of being reimbursed when the city was prepared for action. They propose to relieve claims not covered by the statute. It is not thought best to pay the allowances by the City to the association in reimbursement, such a payment as that proposed in the order will secure to us an auxiliary aid of much value in saving the many families of volunteers thrown out of means and work by the war from distress, where they do not come within the limits of our aid. The Ladies Association is quite distinct from the other, though occupying rooms also in Union Hall, their object is to furnish work, but chiefly to make the families independent of public relief, by teaching them to earn a livelihood for themselves. As their aim is to relieve the public treasury from the continued pressure of these claims, by encouraging a spirit of independence and enabling as many as possible to rely upon their own industry for support, we feel assured that a little reasonable aid will save eventually many times the amount. For the Committee, Thomas C. Emory, Jr. Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to the Relief Association of Union Hall through its Treasurer, Geo. W^m Bond, Esq. ^A Six hundred dollars and the same be charged to the appropriation for Soldiers Relief in full of all advances made

the by said Association to the families of volunteers. ^{B.} Ordered: That
July 8, 1861 there be paid to Mrs. Anna C. Lowell in behalf of the Ladies Association five hundred dollars and the same be charged to the appropriation for Soldiers Relief. Read twice and the question being on the passage of said orders, Alderman Amory moved to amend the same by inserting at A "a sum not exceeding" and at B "provided that the vouchers for such payments be satisfactory to the Joint Special Committee on Soldiers Relief Fund". While the Board were discussing the propriety of this amendment, the subject, on motion of Alderman Wilson, was laid upon the table.

Tremont
Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Tremont Street between Norton and Rutland Streets caused by stagnant water on vacant lot on said premises, belonging to D. W. Luncklee & N. E. Joselyn which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining the said lot at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Chester
Square

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on vacant Lots 59 and 61 Chester Square, caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to Francis B. Hayes which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining the said lots at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him has

neglected to abate said nuisance.

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The order submitted to the Board on the first instant to change the name of Subrac Street to Ellsworth Street, was read a second time and was laid on the table.

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Ellsworth
Street

The Joint Special Committee on so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to the Affairs of the Poor, presented a lengthy report on that subject with especial reference to the character of the aid and relief afforded at the House of the City Clerk under directions of the Overseers of the Poor. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

City Clerk's
House

Ordered: That there be paid to John H. Noble the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars, for land taken to widen Hanover Street in the year 1845, upon his giving a sufficient guaranty that the building thereon shall be removed whenever the City may widen said street on the adjoining estates, or whenever the City may see fit to require such removal, and upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Noble
rescinded on
page 209. of
accol of 1862

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer in Bolton Street, between C. and L. Streets, and that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed

Bolton
Street

442. to construct a Common Sewer in said Bolton Street, and
July 8, 1861. to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Sewer
Department

Ordered: That a part of the lot of land belonging to the City on Fruit Street, west of the stable and yard of the Internal Health Dept bounding 20 1/2 feet on Fruit Street and extending back to the County Jail fence, be and the same is hereby set off for the use of the Sewer Dept, and that the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to enclose the same with a fence, and erect a wooden building and shed thereon not exceeding ten feet in height, the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for Sewers. Read once.

Metropolitan
Railroad

Whereas, the Metropolitan Rail Road Company has resumed travel over its regularly established location in Court and Nement Streets, Ordered: That notice be given to the Metropolitan Railroad Company to forthwith discontinue the running of cars over the temporary location granted to them in Essex Street, Harrison Avenue and East Court Street, and to take up the track now laid in said streets, under the direction of the Committee on Paving. Read once.

Broadway
Railroad

The undersigned, from the Committee on Paving, to whom were recommended the petition of the Broadway Railroad Company asking for an additional location of track in either Summer and Winter, or Bedford and West Streets, for the purpose of forming a connection with the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in said Nement Street with the order of notice thereon, and the several remonstrances against

the same, having duly considered the subject, would report 1113.
the accompanying plan of location, granting authority to July 8. 1861.
construct a single track in the centre of Summer Street, across Washington Street, on the southerly side of the roadway of Winter Street to Tremont Street, leaving the sidewalks in Winter Street the same width as they have always been. Sarg.
W. Parmenter, & J. Wilson. Ordered: That in addition to the locations already granted to the Broadway Railroad company in the several streets of the City of Boston, the said City of Boston, the said Company shall have the right to lay down a single track in the centre of Summer Street from the present termination of the track of said Broadway Railroad in said Summer Street to Washington Street; across Washington Street to Winter Street; thence on the southerly side of the roadway in Winter Street, so as to leave a space of nine feet between the outer rail and the edgestone of the northern sidewalk of said Winter Street, to Tremont Street, there to connect with the track of the Metropolitan Railroad; thence on the track of the said Metropolitan Railroad in Tremont Street, Cornhill, and Washington Street to Essex Street, there to connect with the track of said Broadway Railroad as located in Essex Street from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue; in Harrison Avenue from Essex Street to Beach Street; in Beach Street from Harrison Avenue to Federal Street, there to connect with the present track of said Broadway Railroad Company. Also a single track in Federal Street from Lincoln Street to Beach Street, connecting at both points with the track located by order of the Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1859. The right to lay down the tracks in Summer, Washington, and Winter Streets, as before mentioned,

474. is under the express proviso and condition to the location, that the
July 8. 1861 roadways of said streets shall at the time the track is laid
down, be repaired with "Trap Rock Blocks," and the whole expense
thereof shall be paid by the said Broadway Railroad Company.
And that the whole of the roadway or cartway of Beach Street,
between Lincoln and Federal Streets, shall be repaired at the
time the rails are laid down, with the same material which
now constitutes the pavement on said street, at the expense of
the said Broadway Railroad Company. The whole to be done un-
der the supervision and direction of the Superintendent of Streets
and the approval of the Committee on Finance. The right is now
taken the track in Federal Street, between Chestnut and Beach
Streets, is under the further express proviso and condition that
said Broadway Railroad Company agree to comply with
the express provisions and conditions contained in the order of
location passed by the Board of Aldermen, December 30, 1854,
in relation to the construction of the track in Federal Street
and across Federal Street Bridge, by said Company. And
under the further express proviso and condition that said Broad-
way Railroad Company shall, after the rails are laid down,
keep in good order and complete repair the whole of the road-
way or cartway of said Summer, Winter, and Federal Streets,
also the said portions of Harrison Avenue, Essex, and Beach
Streets, at their own expense and to the satisfaction of the Su-
perintendent of Streets; and whenever the Board of Aldermen
shall from time to time determine and order that any portion
of the roadway or cartway of said streets through and in which
the track is located by the terms of this order and under its
authority, shall be repaired with what they shall deem to be

the best of stone material, the whole expense of such agree-
ing shall be paid by the said Broadway Railroad Company. July 8 1867
The work to be done by the Superintendent of Street, under
the authority of the Board of Aldermen, and under the further
express proviso and condition that in the construction of the
track granted by this location, granite blocks of such dimen-
sion as the Superintendent of Streets shall be laid down inside
and outside of each rail, if the Committee on paving and
Superintendent of Streets shall so direct. And under the further
express proviso and condition that the whole work of laying
down the track granted by this order shall be done under
the direction and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Pav-
ing and the Superintendent of Streets. And that the form of
rail to be used shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Pav-
ing and Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by
them. The right to lay down these additional tracks in Sum-
mer, Washington and Winter Street is granted under the further
express proviso and condition that the said Broadway Railroad
Company shall make a correct return to the Board of Aldermen
of the number of cars used upon the tracks of the said Broad-
way Railroad Company, and run, and owned by them,
and shall pay into the City Treasury for each successive
six months, ending with the month of December and time in
each year, the sum of twenty dollars for each car run over the
tracks of said Broadway Railroad within ten days from the
day said return was due, provided, that said sum may be
at any time increased or decreased by the Board of Aldermen
whenever it may see fit; and provided further, that said Company
shall acquire no right not otherwise granted to it by the City.

ment of said sum. Also under the further express proviso and condition, that the compensation to be paid by the Broadway Railroad Company to the Metropolitan Railroad Company for running their cars over the track of the said Metropolitan Railroad shall be such as the Board of Aldermen for the time being shall prescribe, if the two corporations do not mutually agree upon the term. Also under the further express proviso and condition, that the said Broadway Railroad Company shall accept this order of location, and agree to its several provisions & conditions within ten days of the date of its passage, and file the same with the City Clerk; otherwise it shall be null and void. The roadway or cartway mentioned in this order is to include the whole of the space between the edgelines supporting the sidewalks on either side. Read once and ordered to be printed. (See City Document No 40.)

Adjourned to Wednesday next at eight & half past six PM

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the tenth day of July Anno Domini, 1861.

Present

The Mayor, Aldermen May, Hatch, Hanson, Gray, Cummings, Gitterson and Spinney.

Agreement to appointment the 11/17.

and proceeded to re-establish the boundaries between the
city of Boston, the town of Roxbury and the city of Quincy,
and the town of Dorchester, which are done, as appears from
the following certificates, duly signed by the authorities of said
several towns and cities. Boundary Line between the City of
Boston and the town of Dorchester. We, the subscribers, the Mayor
and Aldermen of the City of Boston, and the Selectmen of the
Town of Dorchester, pursuant to notice met and took due of
July, A.D. 1861, at the place appointed, and ran the line, and
renewed the bound marks between the City of Boston and the
Town of Dorchester, as follows: to wit: Beginning at a point
in Dorchester Bay, which is on the dividing line between
Dorchester and Quincy, thence running through the bar to a
stone monument on the side of the Old Colony Rail Road mark-
ed B on the northeasterly side, and L on the southwesterly side,
which stone monument is distant northward one hundred and
eighty feet from the centre of a culvert under said Rail Road,
thence North fifty six degrees west, two thousand four hundred
and thirty eight feet to a stone post on the head land now
a late of Widow Eliza Howe of Dorchester, marked B on the
northeasterly side and L on the southwesterly side in the
last mentioned course and distance passing through monuments
on Dorchester Street and Dorchester Avenue, both of these mon-
uments being marked B on the northeasterly side and L on
the southwesterly side, and all these monuments being dated 1856,
and also passing and touching the northwesterly corner of a stone
wall standing on land now a late of Captain B. M. S. of
Dorchester. Being the same line decided in the last to set in

448 a part of the Town of Rochester and annex the same to the
city of Boston" passed May 21. 1855. Thence continuing north
fifty six degrees west to a Pile Monument in the centre of the
channel westerly of the New York Central Rail Road which is
the dividing line between Rochester and Roxbury. In testimony
whereof we have hereunto set our hands the day and year first
above written. John H. Nightman, Mayor. Samuel Hatch, Edmund
P. Spinner, Schenck Gibson, Thomas C. Amory, & George W. Parmen-
ter. John T. May, James L. Hansen. Aldermen of Boston. Ebenezer
Galen, E. H. Huggins, Lewis T. Pierce, Selectmen of Rochester. Tran-
sactions between the City of Boston and the City of Roxbury.
At the subscribers, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston,
and the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Roxbury pursuant
to notice met this tenth day of July, A.D. 1861, at the place ap-
pointed, and ran the line and renewed the bound marks be-
tween the City of Boston, and the City of Roxbury, as follows; to wit:
Beginning in the centre of the channel dividing the City of
Roxbury and the Town of Rochester, at the point where the line
dividing the City of Boston from the Town of Rochester intersects
the centre of said channel; from thence running northerly by
the centre of said channel until it meets the centre of another
channel, then running westerly through the centre of the last
mentioned channel, to a monument placed therein, then run-
ning in a Southwesterly direction, about two thousand six
hundred and twenty two feet, to a point in the centre of the
Roxbury canal, which point is situated one thousand and sev-
en feet from the southeasterly side of Harrison Avenue measur-
ing easterly in the range of the westerly side of Forest Street,
if extended easterly as laid out from Monument Street to Harrison

avenue, in said Boston - then running in the centre of said ca- 1879.
nal, to a point in the same which intersects the boundary line July 10 1881
that was established prior to May 3^d in the year eighteen hun-
dred and fifty: then running in a Southwestern direction to
a Stone Monument standing on the northerly side of South-
ampton Street, marked B. on the westerly side, and A. on the
easterly side, thence continuing in the same direction to a stone
monument standing in a meadow which marks the South
boundary of the City of Boston, which monument is marked B. on
the northeasterly side, and A. on the southwesterly side; from
thence running Northeasterly to a stone post standing in Reed
Street, marked B. on the northeasterly side and A. on the south-
westerly side; thence continuing in the same direction to a
stone post standing in Washington Street, marked B. on the north-
easterly side, and A. on the southwesterly side; the two last distances be-
ing together about seven hundred and fifty seven feet; from thence across
said street to the fence dividing the land now or formerly belonging to
Dane Scott and others, formerly use of Mill, from land now or formerly
belonging to Susanna and Sarah Davis, formerly use of the Boston
Aston Regt; thence by said fence and the line thereof continued
until it strikes the line of the southeasterly side of Shawmut
Avenue; thence diagonally across said Avenue in a westerly
direction to a point twenty five feet distant from the southwest-
erly side of Hammond Street at its intersection with Shawmut
Avenue; thence parallel with the southwesterly side of Ham-
mond Street, to the westerly side of Tremont Street; thence run-
ning to the westerly side of Tremont Street, till it intersects the
boundary line between the two cities in the middle of the creek
on the northwesterly side of Tremont Street; thence by the centre

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of said back to a stone post standing on the dike of the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation, dividing the full basin from the vacuum basin of said Corporation, marked B on the southerly side, and A on the northerly side; from thence running North fifty three degrees East, in a direction to the temple of Cook Street, bearing hence in Boston about eleven hundred and twenty five feet until it intersects the westerly side of Avenue number 6, as laid down on the Plan accompanying the third annual report of the Commissioners on Boston Harbor and Back Bay, dated October twenty eight hundred and fifty four; thence running by the said westerly side of said Avenue Number 6 to a point in the boundary line between Boston and Roxbury as said boundary line existed previous to April 6, eighteen hundred and fifty nine which point is about three hundred and ten feet southerly of the Mill Dam, and about six hundred and thirty five feet easterly of the branch dam leading to Roxbury, between the full and empty basins of the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation; thence running thence by a straight line to a stone post standing on the easterly side of the branch of the said Mill Dam leading to Roxbury, marked B on the northerly side and A on the southerly side; thence across said branch dam to another stone post standing on the westerly side thereof, and marked B on the northerly side, and A on the southerly side; thence by the centre of the channel in said full basin, to the line dividing Boston and Roxbury from Backline. In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands the day and year first above written. William Gaston Mayr, Sumner Little, Saml. A. Cobb, H. Pratt, Charles Stuart & Charles G. B. Richmond, Aldermen of Roxbury. Wm. A. Wrightman

Mayer, Samuel Hatch, James G. Hanson, Silas F. Lee, George H. Parmenter, 421
Nehemiah Gibson, Thomas C. Incey, & John S. Pray, Aldermen of Boston. July 10 1861
Boundary line between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline. In the presence of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Boston, and the Selectmen of the Town of Brookline, pursuant to notice met this tenth day of July, A.D. 1861 at the place appointed, and ran the line and renewed the bound marks between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline; as follows; to wit: Beginning at a stone post marked Bo on the westerly side, and Br. on the westerly side, standing on the Boston and Roxbury Mill Dam, westerly from the new filling erected in said Dam, the old sluices referred to in the Act of February 22^d 1825, entitled "An Act relative to the boundary lines of the City of Boston, and to the Town of Brookline having been removed thence running Northwesterly from said post at an angle of one hundred and fifteen degrees from the Mill Dam, until it strikes the centre of the channel of Charles River, and also running from the said post, easterly, at an angle of one hundred and three degrees fifty minutes, until it strikes the centre of the channel of Muddy River, at a point where the respective boundaries of Boston, Brookline and Roxbury meet each other, being the same lines mentioned and described in the above recited Act. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands the day and year first above written. James Bartlett, Marshal
Hearns, N. G. Chapin, Selectmen of the Town of Brookline. Joseph H. Nightman, Mayor. Samuel S. Spinney, George H. Parmenter, Nehemiah Gibson, John S. Pray, Thomas C. Incey, & James G. Hanson, Samuel Hatch, Aldermen of Boston.

The Board having returned to the City, then adjourned

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the fifteenth day of July, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Cavanagh

Petition of S^r W. P. Cavanagh
to leave to move his wooden buildings from Clement Street
through Chapman Street to Allen Street. Referred to the Committee
on Paving with full power.

Young Men's
Ch. Assocⁿ

Petition of Young Men's Christian
Association for leave to hold religious meetings in the Common
on Sabbath mornings. Referred to the Committee on Common re.

Wetmore

Petition of John W. Wetmore for
leave to keep an Intelligence Office at No. 124 Hancock Street. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

Emerson

Petition of Charles Emerson and
others that the promenade in rear of East Chester Park and
Winchester Square may be lighted. Referred to the Committee on Lamp's.

Richardson

Petition of Thomas Richardson
for an abatement of an assessment for removal of a nuisance
in South Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal
Health.

Wet

Petition of Mrs Eunice T. Wet
and other ladies of West Boston for extension of the tracks of the
Suffolk Rail Road to Boylston Street. Referred to the Committee
on Paving.

inc amended the vote of thanks to the Department of adjacent towns and cities for their services on the fourth instant, to inserting at it and to all other companies that save assistance at the fire herein named. Said action came up for concurrence, read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor July 16. 1861.

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Fire

Department

Thank

Ordered: That the Committee

on Ordinances are hereby requested to report an Ordinance for exhibiting and parades of the Fire Department engines and apparatus. Passed in Common Council came up for concurrence, read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 16. 1861

Fire

Department

parade

Ordered: That the Committee

on Water be and they are hereby authorized to make arrangements for the Annual Excursion of the City Council to Lake Cochituate, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and Miscellaneous items. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 16. 1861.

Cochituate

Lake

Ordered: That there be transferred

to the appropriation for Public Relief from the Military Fund established under order of Nineteenth of April, the sum of Ten thousand dollars provided the Committee on the Military Fund shall approve. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 16. 1861.

Relief

Relief

The Board of Land Commis-

sioners to whom was referred the report of the Public Building

City Statute

454. committee dated June 27th 1861 concerning an additional lot of
June 15 1861. land for the use of the Saring and Internal Health Department
also to City Document No 36 being in reference to paper of the city
council concerning the construction of city Slakes at South End, hav-
ing duly considered the same would submit the following report.
That the order attached to the report is submitted to the Public
Building committee dated June 27th 1861 ought to pass. For the
commissioner Samuel Hatcher Chairman. In common Council
read and accepted, and the order as recited page 4th was
adopted. Came up for concurrence. Read and this Board con-
curred therein. Approved by the Mayor, July 16. 1861.

City

Slake

Loan

Ordered: That the committee
on Public Buildings be and they hereby are authorized to build
upon the site set apart therefor on the South Bay Land, a Slake
for the accommodation of the Internal Health Department, at an
expense not exceeding fifty five thousand dollars. Enacted: That
the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow under
the direction of the committee on Finance the sum of Thirty
five thousand dollars the same to be added to the appropria-
tion for the construction of a City Slake at the South End. Read
twice and passed. Yeas Aldermen May, Clark, Hanson, Welch,
Farrington, Price, Gray, Preston, Rich, Spinney and Wilson 11 Ayes
none. Sent down for concurrence. July 18. Came up non-concurred.

Salaries of
City & Port
Physicians

The Committee on Salaries, to
whom were recommended the two sections of the Salary Bill
relating to the salaries of the city and Port Physicians, have re-
considered the same, and report the order for said salaries in

a new draft, as he do amended. For the Committee, Thomas F. Rich, 455
Chairman. Art. 13. The salary of the city Physician shall be
at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, and in ad-
dition to his present duties he shall be required to perform such
services at the jail, lombs, or lockups, as may be necessary. Sect. 14.
The salary of the Port Physician shall be at the rate of two thou-
and dollars per annum, in which sum he shall be allowed
to any and all infirmaries and other institutions of the
city at Sea Island. And he shall be allowed the same for all
services received by him in his official capacity. He shall also
be allowed sufficient house room, free of rent, for himself and fam-
ily, and three students. In common Council. Read and this
amendment at A. strike out "one thousand" and insert "two
thousand" also strike out all the words between C. and D. and at
E. strike out "also." Came up for concurrence. Read and this
Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor, Nov 10 1861.

The Board of Land Commis- Worcester
sioners to whom was referred the order directing the Superin-
tendent of Public Land to take possession of two lots of land
on Worcester Square for non-fulfilment of the conditions of sale,
as made on the 16th of May 1859 having duly considered the same
would submit the following report. That in the opinion of the City
Council no other action can be taken within the limits of the
city will be properly served. They therefore recommend the pas-
sage of said order. For the Commissioners, Samuel Hatch, Chairman.
In common Council. Read and accepted and said order as
recorded June 27th was passed same up for concurrence. Read and
this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor, Nov 10 1861.

Ordered: That the City Treas-

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Dealers of
Rights Treasurers

mer be authorized to pay to each of the Dealers & Treasurers and Messengers of the City of Boston a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars per annum from the date of their appointment in full for rent of offices occupied by them and that the same be charged to incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous claims. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. It came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 28, 1861.

Read

The Committee on Ordinances,

wherein was referred an order with the expediency of requiring an alphabetical record to be kept of the location of real estate sold for taxes, have considered the same and beg leave to recommend the passage of the accompanying ordinance. For the Committee Thomas C. May Jr. Chairman. Read and an Ordinance in relation to a registry of estates sold for taxes. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 16, 1861.

Salary
Board

The Common Council Having adhered to their former vote in relation to Sections 11 and 35 of the Salary Bill. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board receded from its previous vote on said Section 11 and concurred with the Common Council therein. But the Board adhered to its former vote on said Section 35. Sent down for concurrence.

Com: Council
recess

A message from the Common Council to the effect that that branch contemplates taking its annual recess on Thursday next, was read and placed on file.

Ordered: That the Committee

be in Fire Alarms cause the necessary arrangements to be made for the establishment of a Telegraphic Fire Alarm at East Boston the expense to be charged to the appropriation for the Fire Department. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to the Committee on Fire Alarms. Sent down for concurrence. July 18. Came up concurred.

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Fire Alarm

East Boston.

Ordered: That the Salaries of

the Chief Engineer, Assistant Engineers and other Officers and members of the Fire Department due for the quarter or for one or more months of the quarter, ending July 1st inst: be allowed and paid them at the rate per quarter or month as the case may be. Therefore allowed and paid them, during the quarter ending April 1, 1861. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 16, 1861.

Fire Department
pay

Ordered: That a Committee

from this Board with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the cause of the recent fires in this city and suggest if practicable some remedy by suppressing the use of fireworks and crackers on Markets and other places in the city or by enforcing City Ordinance, Section 18. Read in Common Council, and Messrs. David C. T. Nichols and Sampson were appointed said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Seice and Faxon were joined. Approved by the Mayor July 16, 1861.

Fires
inquiring into

The Port Physician submitted
 May 15, 1861 to the Board his report for the quarter ending June 30, 1861, read
 Port Physician and sent down. In common Council. Placed on file.

Charlestown

Petition of the City of Charlestown
 for a temporary supply, to its inhabitants, of Lochitunde Water dur-
 ing the present drought. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent
 down for concurrence. July 18. Came up concurred.

Printing

The Committee on Ordinances,
 to whom was referred an order respecting the length of time
 for which the contract for City Printing should be made, respect-
 fully report, that they deem it inexpedient to make any change
 in the existing Ordinance. In the Committee, Thomas H. Smough,
 Chairman. In common Council. Read and accepted. Came
 up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

Albion Street
 grade

The Committee on Paving, to
 whom was recommended the order in relation to the grades of
 Albion and other streets, have considered the same, and
 report, that the raising of the grade of these streets lying be-
 tween Dover and Chapman, namely, Albion, Tivoli, and Emer-
 ald, is a matter which should receive the immediate attention
 of the City Government. Although there is a large extent of
 territory in this vicinity which will require at some future
 period, to be raised to a higher grade yet the present location
 of the streets above named, and the fact that they have been
 left unimproved, while those contiguous and surrounding
 them, have been raised to a proper grade, renders it necessary
 that early and decisive action should be taken. The intent is

of the city, no less than of the dwellers themselves, would seem to require this. These streets are now almost impassable to carriages, dangerous to travellers, and useless for the ordinary purposes of highways. The surface drainage leads towards the basin formed by the elevated grade of Lake and Thompson Streets, filling the hollows, where the water stands till it becomes offensive, and gradually penetrating into the cellars of adjoining dwellings, to the detriment of the health of the occupants, and the lessening of the value of the property itself. Frequent complaints are made to the Committee in consequence of partial and defective drainage. In one case, the water had flowed in during a single night that the basement was inundated, causing great trouble and loss. In another, a communication was addressed to the City government, alleging that sickness had been induced in the family from this cause, and the fact was supported by the written statements of two of our most eminent physicians. The Committee would here remark that in prosecuting this branch of their duties, they have experienced considerable difficulty in explaining to and satisfying owners and tenants of property thus situated, the precise extent of legal claim they have upon the City for what they consider a damage to their estates. Much error prevails as to the right of the City to raise the grade of a street, or to do any other lawful act intended for the public good. However remote from the locality of the contemplated improvement, many believe that the City is legally obligated to sustain all the expense of raising or repairing their buildings, and as a consequence, the owners are unwilling to lend any assistance to facilitate the improvement, though it be for their personal and pecuniary advantage. In some instances the

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460. Committee are not with absolute indifference, if not with di-
rect opposition, and their attempts to negotiate treated as an annoy-
ance. But the committee take great pleasure in showing that
such is not always the treatment which they receive, but that
in many cases they have found real estate owners who fully
and truly comprehend their own interests, and are willing to
co-operate with the City in those measures which were intend-
ed to relieve them from a serious deterioration of the value
of their estates. The committee are further considering that it would
be better, perhaps, to proceed to grade one of the streets above men-
tioned at a time, rather than to attempt to complete now that which
remains of necessity, if not necessity, must sooner or later be done
in this locality. In all probability, for years to come applications
will be made to the City Government for assistance in the grad-
ing of streets in this territory, until the whole is raised to a
height adequate to its complete drainage. It would seem, then,
that if a reasonable appropriation should be made yearly for
this object, the burden upon the City Treasury would be lessened,
and the necessity for a large loan avoided. Besides, a general
and permanent rule would thus be established, which could
not fail to have a beneficial result to all concerned. As a
means of estimating the cost of any improvements contemplated,
and of adjusting conflicting claims for damages by change of
grade, such a rule would be of great convenience and val-
ue. The Committee have, in accordance with their views here-
with submitted, negotiated by written bonds and verbal agreement
with all the abutters upon Albion Street, and are therefore able
to estimate the cost of the alteration in the grade of the street.
Albion Street is a public highway, it being a portion of the "Main

man grant to the City of Boston in 1831. Should the action of 461
the Committee meet the approbation of the City Government, they July 15/80.
propose to confer with the Statute upon the Street Law, with
a view of expediting this necessary and important measure.
No more favorable opportunity could be found for the prosecu-
tion of this work, inasmuch as employment is much needed by
the suffering class of our City. The Committee therefore recommend
the passage of the following order. George A. Sumner, Chairman
Ordered: That the raised grade of Abner Street between Chap-
man and Love Streets, according to a plan drawn by James
Stade, City Engineer, dated May 11, 1861, be and the same hereby
is adopted. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 15,
1861.

Ordered: That the City Treas- Loan.
urer under the direction of the Committee on Finance be au- Abner Street
thorized to borrow the sum of ten thousand dollars, the same
to be appropriated for the special purpose of raising the grade
of Abner Street, and the houses thereon to the grade thereof. Read
twice and passed. Yeas - Aldermen Amory, Clark, Gibson, Henson,
Hatch, Furmenter, Peice, Gray, Weston, Vick, Spooner and Nelson 12.
Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. July 18, Came up concurred.
Yeas 32. Nays 8. Approved by the Mayor July 22, 1861.

The Joint Standing Commit- City
tee on the Free City Hospital, would respectfully submit the fol- Hospital
lowing Report. At the last session of the Common Council they
offered a report which was laid upon the table, and ordered
to be printed. See City Document No 31, when that report was read
to the Committee on the day preceding that on which it was

402. presented it was adopted, and was read in favor of
July 15, 1861. Submitting it to the Common Council the following evening. The
Chairman was authorized to prepare rules to accompany the
work which he accordingly did. The committee being now
of opinion that rules distinctly and explicitly expressing a
preference for some particular plan would be more in ac-
cordance with the expectations of the City Council than those
submitted recommend the passage of the following rules as
substitutes for those before reported. For the Committee, Thomas
L. May, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public
Buildings in concurrence with the Committee on the City Hos-
pital, be directed to erect suitable buildings for a City Hospi-
tal on the site selected for that purpose on Harrison Avenue,
in accordance with the plans of G. E. Bryant, to which
a premium has recently been awarded by the said commit-
tee on the City Hospital, with such modifications as said Hospi-
tal Committee shall deem expedient, at a cost not exceeding
One Hundred Thousand Dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer
be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction
of the Committee on Finance the sum of one hundred thou-
sand dollars, the same to be appropriated for the erection of a
City Hospital on Harrison Avenue. Passed in Common Council
May 34. Aye none. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
curred. Aye Aldermen Moore, Clark, Gibson, Jackson, Smith, Gar-
mender, Rice, Gay, Foster, Rich, Pinney and Nelson. 12. Nays
none. Approved by the Mayor July 16, 1861.

Loan

Green

A communication was read
from Dr. John Green protesting against an alleged adoption
of some of his ideas in the proposed construction of the City Hos-

pitai unless he can have credit thereof. Read and placed
on file.

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The Bond of Luther A. Ham
a constable, having been first appeared to the City Council and
also appeared to the Board. Approved by the Mayor July 16, 1861

On petition of J. Myer & others
that measures be taken to have dogs muzzled, and that an
muzzled dog may be killed, it was Ordered: That the Chief of
Police cause all unlicensed dogs found at large within this
city from this date to October 1st to be muzzled except by permit
on Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 17, 1861

Ordered: That the Cochituate
Water Board be directed to cause the Public Hydrant no. 10 to
be changed from two inch to two and one half inch bore in
order to meet the requirements of the Steam Engine fire, the
expense to be charged to the appropriation for the Fire Depart-
ment. Read twice and passed.

Ordered: That the payment
of the sum of twenty dollars and thirteen cents assessed, by
an order of this Board upon Abigail A. Smith, in her proportion
of the cost of constructing a common sewer in commercial
street be and the same is hereby postponed until a drain
from the State shall be connected with the sewer; the pay-
ment of said assessment being postponed in consequence of
the inability of the petitioner to pay the same. Read twice and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 17, 1861.

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July 15, 1861

Bemis

Ordered: That the sum of nine dollars and eighty eight cents be and the same is hereby deducted from the amount assessed by an order of the Board of Aldermen dated February 28th 1859, upon Luke Bemis, for his proportion of the cost of constructing the common sewer in G. Street, the said deduction being made in consequence of the said Bemis not owning as much land as was represented upon the assessors list. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 17, 1861

Sewer

Department

The order submitted to the Board on the eighth instant to set apart a lot of land west of the site of the Internal Health Department on Fruit Street for use of the Sewer Department was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 17, 1861.

Noble

The order submitted to the Board on the eighth instant to pay John H. Noble four hundred and fifty dollars for land taken to widen Hanover Street in 1845, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 17, 1861. Rescinded April 15, 1862

Bolton Street

are

The order submitted to the Board on the eighth instant for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a sewer in Bolton Street between C. and D. Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 17, 1861.

Fire

Department

Ordered: That Messrs Bowker, J. Richards, and Frederick with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to inquire into the capacity of the Fire Department to meet the exigencies of large fires. Passed in

Common Council. came up for concurrence read, and on
motion of Alderman Hatch laid on the table.

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The Committee on Licenses,
to whom was referred the petition of Curran, Cook & Co., and others,
for a remission of the license fees heretofore charged to non-resident
truckmen, have considered the same, and beg leave to
Report; That, after hearing all the arguments adduced by
the non resident truckmen for the remission of fees heretofore paid,
and for the abolition of the distinction between residents and
non-residents, they are not convinced that any injustice has
been wrought upon the petitioners, and therefore cannot recom-
mend the action desired by them. They remain of the opinion
that the discriminative policy now in practice is proper and
just, and that its discontinuance would operate injuriously
upon the interests of the City of Boston and its truckmen. If
any class of person do business within our limits, competing
successfully with residents and tax payers, and have to consult
their personal interests in residing out of town where they
can contribute nothing or at best but little to the support of
the Municipal system, either as tax payers or consumers, it
is but equitable that some compensation be made for the
privilege of occupying the streets of the City. Even for the
wear and tear of the streets, and for the litter of the streets
which causes the City a considerable expense to remove, no
other equivalent is received aside from the charge in a stand.
Without extending the argument, the Committee submit that
their briefly stated views establish the propriety and justice
of the principle involved. Evidence has been brought forward

Non-resident

truckmen

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that the amount of the charge as at present regulated is disproportionately large, and the Committee have no doubt that in some cases the exaction of so large a sum operates with hardship. They are therefore prepared to recommend a reduction of the amount of the charge, and they trust that the non resident truckmen will deem it satisfactory. The Committee have no disposition to hamper or restrict the respectable persons, who appear as petitioners in this matter in the very useful business which they follow. Their only desire is to make such a discrimination that our own citizens shall not be subject to an unequal competition, and to secure a proper compensation for the privileges enjoyed in the free use of our highways by inhabitants of other places. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee, John P. Gray, Chairman. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Trucks be, and he is hereby authorized, to exact from non resident truckmen and wagons who have stands in the streets of this city, the sum of three dollars, to wit, one dollar for the license, and two ^Bdollars for the privilege of a stand in the street. Read and ordered to be printed.

Carriage
licenses

Ordered: That carriage licenses be numbered from 1 to 433 inclusive except numbers 1190, 91100, 116, 141, 179, 195, 207, 218, 228, 234, 250, 236, 244, 250, 280, 297, 298, 313, 327, 336, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 381, 382, 383, 389, 394, 397, 398, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 414, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 426, 427, 428, 431, and 432. be issued for the year ensuing. Read twice and passed.

Trucks.

Ordered: That Truck and Wagon

licenses

licenses numbered from 1 to 1797 inclusive except numbers 13.

84, 114, 272, 551, 595, 1052, 1053, 1142, 1255, 1312, 1523, 1541, 1651, and 1692. 1167.

be issued for the year ensuing. Read twice and passed.

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Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Harrison Avenue corner of Castle Street to lay their sidewalks with brick within twenty days, and that in default thereof the same will be done at their expense according to law.

Harrison
Avenue

The order submitted at the meeting of the Board on the 10th instant to notify the Metropolitan Railroad Company to remove their track from Essex Street, East Dover Street and Harrison Avenue, was read a second time and was referred to the Committee on Paving.

Metropolitan
Railroad

The Committee on Ordinances, to whom was referred the report of the Committee on Institutions recommending the passage of an Ordinance to establish a House of Correction at Deer Island, have considered the same and beg leave to report: That in the opinion of the City Solicitor the place to which a House of Correction has been in the Board of Aldermen, as County Commissioners and the Committee therefore have only to recommend the passage of the accompanying order, giving authority for the use of the building at Deer Island as a House of Correction, in case the Board of Aldermen shall establish such an institution at that place. Respectfully submitted for the Committee, Thomas C. Mearns, Chairman. Ordered: That the occupation and use of even portion of the City's building at Deer Island, as may be deemed necessary to the Board of Aldermen, acting as County Commis-

House
of
Correction
at
Deer Island.

468. signers, be and Herety is tendered to said Board of Aldermen
by 15.1861. in a House of Correction. Read in Common Council. Came up
in concurrence. Read and laid on the table on motion of Alder-
man Hatch.

House of
Correction
See Land. Alderman Snow submitted the
following order. Ordered: That the uppermost lot & series of the
lots in the brick building on Deer Island and so much of the
yard connected with said building and so much of the land
on said island as may be convenient to the purpose be and the
same is hereby made a part of the House of Correction for the
County of Suffolk, and the Board of Directors of Public Institu-
tions and the Master and other officers of the House of Correction,
are hereby authorized to use the same accordingly. Read twice
and laid on the table on motion of Alderman Preston.

Board of
Aldermen The order submitted to the Board
on the eighth instant to extend the present location of the Broad-
way Railroad through Summer and Winter Streets and in case,
Hudson Avenue, and each Street was read a second time and
was amended by striking out at A. "there to connect with the
track of said Broadway Railroad as located" and insert there
with authority to lay down a single track. Also by striking out at
B. "located by order of the Board of Aldermen December 30. 1854."
and inserting of the said Broadway Railroad Company in Fed-
eral Street. The question then recurring on the passage of said
order as amended it was laid on the table, to await a minority
report from the Committee on Finance in relation to this subject.

The several Sanitary Officers for 1864.
The Northern, Central, and Southern Districts submitted to the Board
their reports for the quarter ending the 30. April and placed on file.

The Committee on Internal Health
to whom were referred the petitions of Sarah E. Davies for abatement
of assessment for removal of a nuisance in rear of 212-218 Tremont
Street of John Watson and others that a stable or not located in
South Cedar Street and of Thomas G. Hale and others for abatement
of a nuisance in Centre and Marginal Streets, reported that
no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Internal
Health to whom was referred the complaint of the Superintendent
of Health against the present condition of the New York Central
R.R. Midland and Grand in Ward 12, reported that the City Solicitor
be instructed to take immediate action in presenting the sub-
ject before the Grand Jury. Read and accepted.

On the proposition of St. John
Louis for the issue of the City to convert into manure,
the Committee on Internal Health reported advice to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

On petition of John Throck to
be relieved from the damages occasioned by imperfect drainage
in Basin Street, the Committee on Internal Health reported
that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Sarah H. Hastings
Hastings

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to be relieved from the danger and inconvenience resulting from the condition of Village Street, the Committee on Internal Health reported that said nuisance will be abated when the grade of the street shall be changed. Read and accepted.

Pierce & Co.

On petition of Pierce & Co. for five trucks and stands near the Custom House the Committee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. Read and accepted.

Johnson

Ordered: That there be paid to William Johnson the sum of one hundred dollars in full compensation for any and all claims for damages to his estate on North Street caused by a change of grade thereof upon his giving his title to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

Edson

Ordered: That there be paid to Jacob Edson the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars in full compensation for any and all claims for damages to his estate on Brookline Street caused by a change of grade thereof upon his giving his title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his raising his buildings to the grade and upon his giving to the City an acquittance & discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

Ordered: That the Supervisor of
Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to reconstruct
the common sewer in Harrison Avenue between Northamp-
ton Street and Roxbury Line; the cost of same to be charged to
the appropriation for sewers. Read once.

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Harrison

sewer

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
dermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the
twenty second day of July Anno Domini 1801.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of William Schier that
damages occasioned to his estate corner of Washington Street
and bounded by a defective drain pipe, which is now unused
may be remedied. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Schier

Petition of Jonathan Cottle for
leave to drain his estate into the Union Park Street sewer. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Sewers.

Cottle

Petition of Robert F. Scotland
for leave to move his wooden buildings from Malden Street through
Gement Street to Roxbury Line. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Scotland

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Commons

Proposal of Daniel Cavanagh
to furnish a Marine Steam Fire Engine for the protection of Ship-
ping and Wharves from fire. Referred to the Committee on the
Fire Department.

Street

Petition of Ebenezer Johnson
that culverts may be constructed in Chestnut Street west of
Charles Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Street

Petition of John Low that the
grade of Harvard Street between South and Utica streets may
be raised. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

South

Street

Petition of the Superintendent of
South that a nuisance existing in the houses of the City
on South Street lately belonging to the Gardner estate may be
abated was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on
the part of this Board.

Utica

On nomination by the Mayor, John
J. Wedger, Joseph S. Brewster, and James H. Norwood were ap-
pointed and confirmed as Police Officers of this City with all
the powers of Constables except the power of serving and ex-
ecuting civil process.

Nat. History

Society

Petition of the Natural History So-
ciety for leave to deposit their Library and Cabinet in the Pub-
lic Library Building until their new building is erected. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Public Finance. Not taken in con-
ference. September 19. Same up concurred.

the committee for an appropriation to advance made to them July 22 1861
to families of Massachusetts Volunteers residing in Boston. Referred to the committee on the Finance Fund. Sent down for their concurrence. September 14 came up concurred.

The Committee on Water, to Charleston.

whom was referred the petition of the City Council of Charleston to contribute water to temporary purposes have considered the same and they have to report: That the Charleston Water Board is the proper body to determine whether the supply of water asked for can be spared, and the Committee therefore recommend that the petition be referred to that Board, with full power to act upon it. For the Committee, Samuel Hatch, Chairman read and accepted and referred accordingly. Sent down in concurrence. Sep. 14 came up concurred. Approved by the House. Sep 25 1861.

The Committee on Claims, to Lincoln

whom was referred the petition of Sumner & Lincoln to be paid for personal property destroyed by fire at Fort Sumner, have considered the same, and respectfully recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Institutions. For the Committee, Silas Rice, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted and referred accordingly. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That Messrs Ed-

munds, C. Richards and Crockett with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to make proper arrangements for the reception of the Massachusetts Volunteers which may

Mass:
Volunteers

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July 22, 1861. pass through or be mustered out of service in this City or on
their return from their current three months service in the
ranked rows of the Union; and that the expense be charged
to the appropriation for incidental expenses. Read in Com-
mon Council. Came up to concurrence. Read and con-
curred and Alderman Rich and Hatch were joined. Approv-
ed by the Mayor July 22, 1861.

East Street
School House

The Committee on Public Instruc-
tion, to whom was referred an order of the City Council re-
lating to improvements on the East Street School-house estate,
have considered the same, and beg leave to Report: That,
after a thorough examination of the premises, they find the
condition of the present School-house building such that the
first story is unfit for tenancy. This state of affairs arises
principally from the bad location of the premises, and the bad
and faulty character of the order. By removing the premises
beyond the south end of the building, fixing the cellar suf-
ficiently to make it dry and paving it with brick and en-
larging the lower windows so as to admit of better light and
ventilation, we are satisfied, and both the Committee on
Public Buildings and School Committee agree with us; that
the accommodations will be so improved as to render the
house unobjectionable; and it will then answer the wants
of the neighborhood for several years. Without going into a
detailed statement of the proposed repairs, the Committee
would say that their cost has been estimated at five thousand
and dollars; and they therefore recommend the passage
of the accompanying order. For the Committee Thomas F. Rich
Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public

Buildings be directed to cause such repairs as may be deemed expedient in that Committee and the Committee on Public Instruction to be made in the East Street primary school house, the same to be done by contract or otherwise as the Committee may determine, and the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for extraordinary repairs of Primary School Houses. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 22, 1861.

Ordered: That a Committee of three of the Common Council, with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to make arrangements for the Annual Excursion of the City Council to the Islands in Boston Harbor and that the expenses thereof be charged to the appropriation for Miscellaneous claims and incidental expenses. Passed in Common Council and Aldermen, Dr. Richards and Sage were appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Spinnay and Shaw were joined. Approved by the Mayor July 22, 1861.

The Committee on Public Buildings who were directed by an order of the City Council to erect a Primary School House on a lot at the corner of Fifth and D. Streets, South Boston, an appropriation of Nineteen thousand dollars being made therefor, beg leave to report: That upon advertising for proposals for the erection of a school house, such as was contemplated by the order, they find that it cannot be constructed in a proper manner for the sum named, and that nearly six thousand dol-

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fars in addition will be required. They therefore recom-
mend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Com-
mittee send. Pastor Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of Six
thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the erection
of a Primary School House at South Boston, in addition to
the sum of nineteen thousand dollars heretofore appropriated,
and that the Treasurer, under the direction of the Committee
on Finance be and hereby is directed to borrow the same. Read
in Common Council, Yeas 37. Nays none. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen. Amos, Clark, Gibbon,
Hannan, Hatch, Harmenter, Rice, Saw. Rich, Spinner & Wilson 11.
Nays none. Approved by the Mayor July 22. 1861.

Winthrop

Ches. house

Ordered: That after reserving
from the lot of land recently purchased by the City from the
heirs of John Athridge for the protection of the Winthrop School a
lot measuring 25 feet by 50 feet upon which no building shall be erect-
ed more than twenty-five feet in height, the remainder of said
Athridge lot shall be dedicated to the use of the Winthrop School.
Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be author-
ized to remove the premises of the Winthrop School House from
their present location to the rear of the Athridge lot, the expense
thereof not to exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, the
same to be charged to the appropriation for repairs of Grammar
School. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be
authorized to let the house standing on the Athridge lot until
a more favorable opportunity for its sale arrives. Read in
Common Council, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.
Approved by the Mayor July 22. 1861.

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ing voted to adhere to their previous vote in relation to the Salary Bill, whereby they give the same amount of salary to the Firemen in the City of Boston and to those in Southampton Street and at East and South Boston. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and the subject laid on the table in relation of Fireman's time.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Albion Street between Chapman and Dover Streets to the established grade. The cost to be charged to the Albion Street special loan. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 22, 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee on Sewing be authorized in the settlement of the claims for damages of the abutters owning houses on Albion Street between Chapman and Dover Streets, to enter into contracts for raising said houses to the established grade in accordance with the terms of a bond given by said abutters. The cost to be charged to the special Albion Street loan. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 22, 1861.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sewers to reconstruct the sewer in Harrison Avenue between Southampton Street and Roxbury Line was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 22, 1861.

The order submitted at the Alden

178. Last meeting of the Board to pay acc^o Edson three hundred
400 2.1861 dollars for grade, labor in Hickline Street, was read a se-
cond time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 22. 1861.

Simon

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay William Simon one hundred
dollars for grade, labor in North Street was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 22. 1861.

Non-resident
hackmen

The report and order submitted
at the last meeting of the Board to the Superintendent of
Trucks and Horses to charge non-resident hack drivers to
pay one dollar for the license and ten dollars for the privilege
of a stand in the street, were read a second time & passed
with this amendment. at A. Strike out "three" and insert ten
and at B. strike out "one" and insert ten. Approved by the
Mayor July 22. 1861.

Boardway
Railroad
location of
Minority
report.

A majority of the Committee
on Paving having reported in favor of the petition of the
Broadway Railroad Company, granting them leave to
extend their track through Summer and Winter streets, the
undersigned deems it his duty as one of the Committee, dis-
senting only from the majority, to call to the Board of Alder-
men a minority report. He has listened with an attention
to the evidence and argument in favor of the petition, with-
out being convinced of one single good reason why this favor
should be granted. Indeed, it seems to him that the present
terminus of the road is not adapted to its wants. From the
State Street, through Lexington, to the largest business part of

Washington Street, through Summer, and to the Public Library 1874.
up, through Bedford Street, with a broad, open space to drop July 22. 1861.
and take in passengers, it is an annoyance to no one, but con-
venient to all who wish to make use of it. By allowing the
road to go through Summer Street, the city would be guilty of an
act of bad faith towards owners of property bordering on the street,
who some years since gave a large sum of money, and gave con-
dition that the street should be widened. Passing from
Summer to Winter Street, it would be a nuisance to the tens of
thousands of people who are obliged to cross there daily, the
street being almost impassable now, by reason of the multitude
of carriages, omnibuses, and other vehicles, constantly gathering
there. There is nothing against this location, and nothing in
its favor. If there is any proper or advantageous location be-
yond its present terminus, it would seem to be by the way of
Beach and Essex Streets. This route would give the company
all the advantages they are seeking over the route reported
by the majority of the Committee, and the further advantage
of securing passengers from the Worcester and Old Colony Rail-
roads. Under these considerations, the undersigned deem it his
duty to make this Minority Report, that it is inexpedient to grant
the prayer of the petitioners, and that they have leave to with-
draw. Thomas P. Rich, Minority of the Committee on Fairs, said
on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Whereas it appears to this
Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated between
Gutland Street and Curney Place caused by stagnant water, dirt
and filth and defective drainage on said premises, belonging
to Benj. G. Russell and others which is dangerous to the health

Curney
Place

186. the inhabitants it is never known, That the Superintendent of
May 22 1861 Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance
to be abated by filling and draining at the expense of said party,
who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate
said nuisance.

Harrison
Henne

Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists on premises 102 Harrison Avenue caused
by defective drains and vaults existing on said premises,
belonging to C. C. Law which is dangerous to the health of the
inhabitants, it is never known That the Superintendent of Health
be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated
by removing obstructions from said drain and directing the
vault to be cleaned at the expense of said party, who, having
been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance

Wichita
Kansas

On motion of Alderman Hatch
the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at its last meeting
an order was passed authorizing the Ecclesiastical Water Board
to alter the diameter of the Hydrant No. 10, and said order
was then laid on the table.

Shells

On petition of Mayhaw School Dis-
trict Committee. Ordered: That the Chief of Police under the di-
rection of His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby directed to
cause the boats adjoining the several Grammar Schools in
this city to be closed against the passage of vehicles during the
hours of the Public Exhibitions on the twenty third instant.

Baker.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police
be and he is hereby directed to notify Mr. Elephelt Baker that

The Block Stone belonging to him now on land owned by the
city on Timent Street between Fifth and Sixth Streets and
be removed within ten days; and if not done at the expiration
of that time, the Chief of Police is directed to cause them to be re-
moved at the expense of said Baker.

Ordered: That due notice

be given that this Board will, on Monday, next at four o'clock,
P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a
common sewer in Sullivan Street and in Seventh Street, be-
tween Sullivan and Seventh Streets, and of assessing the ex-
pense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular
buildings into such common sewer, or who by any more remote
means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making
objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Ordered: That due notice be

given that this Board will, on Monday, next at four o'clock,
P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing the
common sewers in Spring Street near Second Street and in Gov-
ernment Street between Carlton and Spring Streets, and of assess-
ing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their par-
ticular buildings into such common sewer, or who by any more
remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person,
making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Leave was granted to John H.

Helm to keep an Intelligence Office at 174 Broadway Street.

On petition of John H. Helm to be

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Sullivan

Street

Seventh Street

Spring

Street

Second

Street

Intelligence

Office

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Street

482. Paid for damages sustained in change of grade in Leekham
Nov 22. 1861 That the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have
leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Young Men's
Christian
Association

Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on the Common leave was granted to the Young Men's
Christian Association to hold religious meetings on the Common
on Sabbath afternoons

Arcton
Base Ball
Club.

Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on the Common leave was granted to the Arcton
Base Ball Club to use a portion of the Common on the 23^d for a
match game of ball provided they do not interfere with any mili-
tary companies who may wish to occupy the ground at the
same time.

Palmer

Ordered: That the City Treasurer
be authorized to abate the sum of three dollars and fifty cents
from the sum of five dollars and fifty cents assessed against
Henry Palmer for sidewalk assessment on Center Street. Read
once.

Bremen
Street
Improvement

Ordered: That Bremen Street
from Elder Street to Center Street be and the same route is accept-
ed and dedicated as a public highway, upon a deed being given
of said street by the East Boston Company. Read once.

Bremen
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to grade Bremen Street from Elder to
Center Street that the abutters thereon having relinquished claims
for grade damages. Read once.

Blanchard

Ordered: That there be paid to
Nathaniel Blanchard the sum of two hundred dollars in

full compensation for any and all claims or damages to
his estate on Hurre Street, caused by a change of grade of
said Hurre Street upon his proving his title to said estate to
the satisfaction of the City Solicitor; also upon his giving to
the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs
and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that
the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid
to J. D. Sawyer the sum of two hundred dollars in full com-
pensation for any and all claims for damages to his estate
on Hurre Street, caused by a change of grade thereof, upon his
proving his title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solici-
tor; also upon his giving to the City an acquittance and dis-
charge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of
said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the
appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

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pensation for any and all claims for damages to her estate on
Hurre Street caused by a change of grade thereof, upon her pro-
ving her title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor;
also upon her giving to the City an acquittance and discharge
for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said
change of grade; and that the same be charged to the approp-
riation for Paving &c. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock. P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty ninth day of July. Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Foster

Petition of J. N. Foster for appointment as an Auctioneer at 121 Paul Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Wise

Petition of George D. Wise and others that a nuisance be abated in rear of West Chester Park. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Hose Co.
East Boston

Communication from the Chief Engineer to the Fire Department regarding that a Hose Carriage and Company be placed in the first section at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Undertaker

On nomination by the Mayor William E. Brain was appointed an Undertaker in the City.

Fire
Department

On nomination by the Mayor David L. Paul was appointed a member of Hose Co. No. 1. H. Delano a member of Hose Co. No. 2. Charles Allen a member of Hose Co. No. 3.

Fire
Department

Accordingly to the recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department George King was discharged from Hose Co. No. 2. Nathaniel W. Gilman from Hose Co. No. 3 and Alexander W. McKenzie and Walter B. King from Hose Co. No. 4.

On nomination by the Mayor 405
John H. Bates was appointed a Police Officer of the city by 4, 1861
with all the powers of a constable except the power of arrest
and executing civil process.

The Special Committee, who 406
were directed to investigate certain charges of alleged mis-
conduct preferred by John Hotten against Dr. C. A. Walker, the
Superintendent of the Boston General Hospital having given
the parties a long hearing, and after having reported that
the charges in question have not been substantiated, and that
no further action therein is deemed necessary in the premises. In
the committee C. J. Wilson Chairman. Read and accepted
and voted to be printed with the accompanying documents.
Sent down for concurrence. September 19. Came up concurred.

A. J. Wilson that he will attend 407
give some pecuniary assistance to Henry Bruce who was se-
verely injured at the Albany Street fire on July 1st. Re-
ferred to the committee on petitions. Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 19.
Came up concurred.

Petition of Ward 12 Relief Com- 408
mittee that certain amounts advanced to them to aid the
families of those wounded may be returned to them. Re-
ferred to the committee on Soldiers' Relief Fund. Sent down for con-
currence. Sep. 19. Came up concurred.

On motion of Alderman Fin- 409
ney the Board took from the table the Salary Bill, and the
question being on concurring with the Common Council in
their amendments to Sect. 35, whereby the salaries of the Firemen

486. at East and South Boston, and of the Fire Company in South
Boston, and made a report there of the bill paper, the
Board refused to concur in said amendments. Sent down.

Broadway
Subway

On the petition of the Broadway
Subway Company for a location of their track in Federal
Street from the south side of Federal Street Bridge through Fed-
eral Street to Beach Street, as their tracks are now laid down:
also to lay down in Beach Street a single track from Federal
Street to and across South Street, thence a double track in Beach
Street to Harrison Avenue, thence a single track in Beach
Street to the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in Washing-
ton Street; also to construct a single track in Harrison Avenue
from Beach Street to Essex Street; thence in Essex Street to the
tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in Washington Street; also
permission to connect their tracks with the tracks of the Metropo-
litan Railroad and to use and run over with their cars and
horses the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in Washington,
Scudlon, Ciment, and Cornhill Streets and the temporary tracks
in Essex Street and Harrison Avenue, it is ordered: That due
notice be given to the Metropolitan Railroad Company and
to the abuttees on the tracks above mentioned that this Board
will on Wednesday, the fourteenth day of August next, at ten
o'clock A.M. take into consideration the expediency of granting
the prayer of said petition, when any persons, who object thereto
may appear and be heard.

Subway

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to abate \$2.50 from the assessment of \$7.50
laid on Henry Murray for construction of a sidewalk on the

Steel was read a second time and passed. Approved by the

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On motion of Alderman Stetch

the Board took from the table the rules and regulations for the distribution and government of the Fire Apparatus of Boston, being City Document No. 89, and said rules and regulations were approved by the Board.

The Committee on Paving have

Albany

in charge the completion of the extension of Albany Street

Street

under contract with William Evans and Son, by authority

of an order of Board of Aldermen, passed January 23. 1860 and

Lower Street

omit the following report. The work has thus far progressed with

Bridge

but little impediment and almost certain prospect of being

terminated within the time specified in the contract. The road

extending from Mulden Street being finished for a long dis-

tance and the dredging completed throughout almost the en-

tire length of the contemplated road. But, in dredging tow-

ard the Lower Street Bridge, it was discovered, that, from

the unstable foundation and motion of the structure which had

in many places, pressed out the stones composing the wall, it

was found to excavate further in that direction. The large iron

bolts extending through the bridge and fastened with screws on

either side, were found in some places to have been broken or

snapped off, indicating a crumbling rotundity of the lower

portion of the wall, in consequence of the immediate pressure

above. The large water main which supplies the territory of

South Boston, being thus endangered, it became necessary to

take some steps to avoid accident to the pipe which might in-

volve unlimited expense in its repair, while great annoyance

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and injury to the inhabitants of Ward 12, would ensue. The Committee having been notified by the contractor, visited the place accompanied by the city engineer. After examination all concurred in the proposition, that a wall of earth should be thrown in by the side of the wall of the bridge sufficient to ensure its safety until measures could be taken for the advance of the work. A request was subsequently sent to the contractor to work upon some other portion of the wall for a few days; the Committee not desiring to issue a peremptory order lest there might be some damage on account of the sudden suspension of the labor, & disturbance of the plans of the contractor. The matter thus stands; and it will be necessary to take immediate action in order to facilitate the construction of the wall under the contract without danger to the bridge. The most feasible plan seems to be to fill in for a considerable distance along the wall of Lower Street Bridge, a quantity of gravel ballast to moderate the concussion produced by the ponderous hammer used in driving the piles. This is a principal cause of danger to the bridge, as the jarring, tumbling motion of the mud foundation on which it rests, tends to settle and sway the structure to such a degree as to be almost certain injury to it unless secured and sustained by the weight of gravel proposed. After the gradual excavation and driving of the piles, the ballast may then be removed and the wall built. The Committee desire the instructions of the Board as to their course of procedure to meet the present exigence. It is presumed that the contractor will not be able to delay for any length of time unless protected from loss by authority of the Board for the Committee, Geo. H. Carpenter. And read there

upon Council: That the committee on paving be authorized to
to take immediate measures to protect the Lane Street Bridge
from injury by the construction of the Albany Street extension,
and to make such arrangements as they shall deem necessary
to accomplish this object and that the expense thereof be charged
to the appropriation for paving. Read twice and passed. Ap-
proved by the Mayor July 30, 1861.

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Samuel Blanchard one hun-
dred dollars for grade damages on Anne Street was read
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 30,
1861.

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board to pay Andrew Johnson two hundred
dollars for grade damages on Anne Street was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 30, 1861.

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board to pay A. M. Sawyer two hun-
dred dollars for grade damages on Anne Street was read a
second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 30, 1861.

The order submitted at
the last meeting of the Board to accept Bremen Street
from Carter to Curtis Street was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 30, 1861.

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board to the Superintendent of Street to

1861 grade between Street from Erie to Curtis Street was read
July 29, 1861 a second time and passed. Approved by the Board July 30
1861.

Sullivan
Street

No person appearing to object
to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Sullivan Street, said
subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers

Spring &
Surrell Streets

No person appearing to object
to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Spring Street and in
Surrell Street said subject was recommended to the Committee
on Sewers.

Albany
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists on premises in Albany Street caused
by an obstructed and defective drain on said premises, be-
longing to Messrs. Howard, James McCormick, George Bennett,
George Leck, Herman Tucker, G. B. Schwartz and J. Herman Ellis,
which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby
Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby
directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing
all obstructions from said drain and thoroughly repairing
the same at the expense of said parties who, having been
duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Clifford
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The Committee on Police, to whom
were referred the petitions of John Clifford, Bartholomew Hill,
Michael Longman and Timothy Clifford complaining of an un-
justifiable arrest in the case of said John Clifford and of un-
reasonable and very oppressive treatment of them all by
certain officers of the South Station, would report: That the

having been given to the record, the complaint of the 1st
Clifford and Ambrose Hall were read both being present. Nov 29 1881
added to record. To one appearing for the other the committee
were given to understand that these charges were withdrawn.
The statement of John Clifford alleges that the arrest complain-
ant of was made by officers Chase and Cough. Before the close
of the evidence, satisfied that he was mistaken as to Mr. Cough's
being present, as reported him the accusation was abandoned.
Not wishing to load the record with an extended report of
the evidence as it was given at the hearing, we present the
enclosed statement, which we recommend should be placed
on file for consultation by members of the Board or parties
interested. For the Committee, Thomas C. Amory, Jr. Chairman.
Read and accepted.

On the remonstrance of Lodge, Lodge
billed to against licensing and wagon stands opposite their
premises, the committee on Licenses reported no wagon had been
assigned to that locality. Read & accepted.

Agreeably to the report of Intelligence
the committee on Licenses leave was granted to William
Nicholson to keep an Intelligence Office at 388 Hancock Street.
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On petition of Daniel Denny & Denny-
others that some relief may be afforded them from the neglect Midland
of the Midland Railroad Company, to take care of their truck railroad
in Ward 12, the committee on Paving reported that the petition
be referred to the committee on Internal Health. Read, accepted
and referred accordingly.

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Suffolk

London.

a that action should from Swan Street to Fifth Street may be accepted of. Reported that the grade of Canton Street may be raised, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to take any action thereon this year. Read and accepted.

Lund

On the petition of Charles E.

Lund and others that Burnet Place may be lighted with gas, the Committee on Paving reported that the prayer of the petitioners may be granted. Read and accepted.

Suffolk
Rail Road.

The Committee on Paving, to whom

were recommended the petitions of the Suffolk Railroad Company for locations in Cannon Street, and Green Street to Green Square, also for a location in Friend Street, was to accommodate the Lynn Railroad, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Lundy

On petition of Patrick Ganity

is to find for damages occasioned by change of grade in London Street, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Phillips.

Congress Street.

Whereas Eben B Phillips has

given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Congress Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby ordered, that due notice be given to the said Eben B Phillips that that Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part

of the land now about to be built upon as a forewell, and lay- 443.
ing out the same as a public street and that Monday, the 24th day of August next at ten o'clock A.M. appointed as the
time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

On Petition of Crutcher & Co. for leave to drain his estate into the Union Park Street sewer,
the committee on Sewers reported that the petitioner had been
to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to construct a sewer in Chestnut Street
at the corner of West Cedar Street. Read once.

The Committee on Paving, on the petition of the Suffolk Railroad Company to leave to enter
upon and use the Metropolitan Railroad, &c. and the order of
notice thereon, would report that they have thoroughly considered
the various propositions of said Company which have been
brought before them and would report the accompanying order
as embracing all that the public stand in need of. In the com-
mittee George W. Fernald Chairman. Ordered: In addition to
the rights heretofore granted to the Suffolk Railroad Company
to run down tracks in the streets of the City of Boston, the said
Company shall have the further right to connect their track
now down at the corner of Washington and Boston Streets
with the track of the Metropolitan Railroad in said Boston
Street, with the right to enter upon and use the tracks of said
Metropolitan Railroad in Cornhill, Washington Street and
Clement Street, and the open space lying southerly of Scollay's

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July 24 1861. Resolving, agreeably to the provisions of the second section of
the 191st Chapter of the Acts of the General Court of Massachusetts, passed April 10, 1861, concerning the Suffolk Railroad Com-
pany, - its the further right to construct and maintain ^A a
curve track, commencing at or near the corner of Hanover
and Fleet Streets to connect with their present track in Hanover
Street, thence with a single track in the centre of Fleet Street to
a point where the same will connect with their track in said
Fleet Street nearly opposite Allen Street. Also the further right
to construct turnout tracks in Hanover Street, as follows: One
turnout at or near the head of Salem Street; one turnout east-
wardly of Cross Street, nearly opposite the Police Station House; one
turnout westwardly of Richmond Street, nearly opposite the Meth-
odist Church. The length and manner of constructing the
aforesaid turnouts to be determined by the Committee on Par-
ing and Superintendent of Streets. The right to run the
cars over the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in Cornhill
Washington, Deyton, and Fremont Streets and the open
space in front of Scollay's Building, and to lay down tracks
in Fleet Street, and construct turnouts in Hanover Street, as
before mentioned, is granted under the express proviso and con-
dition that the said Suffolk Railroad Company shall run
no cars or allow any cars to be run from without the limits
of the city over the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad, and
the number of cars that shall be allowed to be run over
the tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad shall be determin-
ed from time to time by the Board of Aldermen for the time
being. And under the further express proviso and condition that
the said Suffolk Railroad Company shall make a con-
cise

return to the Board of Aldermen of the number of cars used 1443
and run upon one of the tracks of the said railroad ^{Aug 29 1861}
travelling from without the city of Boston; also of all cars run in
connection with cars from without the city for the purpose of
receiving passengers from or conveying passengers to and from
without the city of Boston ^F and multiplying into the city ^{sum}
for each successive six months, ending with the months of De-
cember and June in each year, the sum of fifteen dollars
for each car as before mentioned run over the track of the
said Suffolk Railroad within ten days from the date said
return was due; provided that said sum may be at any time
increased or decreased by the Board of Aldermen whenever
it shall see fit; and provided, further, that said Company shall
acquire no right not otherwise granted to it by the payment
of said sum. And under the further express proviso and condition
that said Suffolk Railroad Company shall at all times
after the rail in said street lay in good order and com-
plete repair the whole of the roadway or cartway of the streets
in which the tracks are located to this order, at their own ex-
pense, and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets;
and whenever the Board of Aldermen shall from time to
time determine and order that any of the said tracks through
and in which the tracks are located, in the terms and under
the authority of this order, shall be repaired with wood they
shall deem to be the best of stone material, the whole expense
of such paving shall be paid by the said Suffolk Railroad Com-
pany, the work to be done by the Superintendent of Streets under
the authority of the Board of Aldermen. And under the further
express proviso and condition, that in the construction of the

July 29, 1861. 496. All tracks and turnouts granted under any dimension as
the Superintendent of Street Rail Road, shall be laid down
inside and outside of each rail. Also under the further express
proviso and condition, that the whole work of laying down
the track granted by this order, shall be done under the di-
rection and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving
and the Superintendent of Streets, so that the time of use
to be used shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Paving
and Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by
them. Also under the further express proviso and condition, that
the compensation to be paid by the Suffolk Railroad Company
to the Metropolitan Railroad Company, for running their
cars over the track of the said Metropolitan Railroad, shall
be such as the Board of Aldermen for the time being shall
prescribe, if the two corporations do not mutually agree upon
the same. ^{H. H.} And under the further express proviso and condition,
as to the location of tracks and turnouts, granted under the
authority of this order, that said Suffolk Railroad Company
shall accept this said order of location, and agree to comply
with its several provisions and conditions in writing, within
seven days of the date of its passage, and file said acceptance
and agreement with the City Clerk; otherwise it shall be null
and void. The roadway or roadway mentioned in this order
is to include the whole space between the city stone support-
ing the sidewalks on both sides of the street. Read once and
ordered to be printed.

Sullivan
Street.

Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a Street in Sul-
livan Street, and in Rochester Street between Sullivan & South

that and that public notice of such intention has been given, 407
it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Parks &c and
he is hereby directed to construct a common sewer in said
street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to the
Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Whereas, it appears to this Board that it is necessary to take a construction of the
sewer in Spring Street near Everett Street, and in Everett
Street between Barton and Spring Streets, and that public
notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby ordered
that the Superintendent of Parks &c and he is hereby directed
to construct a common sewer in said Spring and Everett
Streets, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to the
Board, pursuant to law. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the fifth day of August, Anno Domini 1861.

Present,

Aldermen Rice, Hanson and Spinney.

There being no quorum. No quorum

the Board adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

Aug 12 1861

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of London held at City Hall on Monday the
twelfth day of August, Anno Domini 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Amory,
Clark, Parmenter, Rich and Wilson.

Christian
Sabbath School

Petition of the Christian Sabbath
School Association for leave to hold religious services in the common
on Sabbath afternoons. Referred to the Committee on Commons.

Shanley

Petition of William Shanley for
statement of an account for a sewer in Quing Street. Referred
to the Committee on Sewers.

Wheeler

Petition of Charles Wheeler
for appointment as a coal wharf. Referred to the Committee
on Licenses.

Hunting

Petition of Lucia Hunting for
leave to keep an Indianan office at 115 Court Street. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

Wells

Petition of T. Wells Esq for leave
to give Musical entertainments at the National Theatre. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

Griffin

Petition of J. J. Griffin for ap-
pointment as an Auctioneer at 66. Hanover Street. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

Moorhead.

Petition of John C. Moorhead for
a Lamp on Seventh Street between G. and H. Streets. Referred
to the Committee on Lamps.

A copy of a coroner's inquest held on the body of Geo. G. Thomas who came to his death by being runned by the car of the Northern Railroad west of Main St. where they congregated to play, referred to the Committee on Paving. Aug. 12, 1861 Thomas

Petition of Joseph A. Huntress and others that Middle Street be extended to Dorchester Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Huntress

Petition of Samuel Cote and others that the sidewalks on Broadway between A and L Sts. may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Cote

Petition of B. and G. B. James that Linden Street may be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving. James Linden St.

Petition of Justices of the Supreme and Sup. in Courts that Court House may be repaired with some material which will diminish the present noise of public travel. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Court House

Remonstrance of First Methodist Episcopal Church against the proposed location of turnouts by Suffolk Railroad company in Sincere St. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Methodist Church Suffolk Railroad

Remonstrance of Rowland Ellis and others against the proposed location of turnouts by Suffolk Railroad company in Sincere St. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Ellis Suffolk Railroad

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Cutlers Street between Bucks and White Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Telegraph Street.

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Telegraph Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto will then and there be heard.

Conroy
Cutlers Street.

Whereas Peter Conroy has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings in Cutlers Street, in the said city; and in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said buildings be erected at the place specified in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Peter Conroy, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned by taking a part of the land now used to be used then as a garden, and laying out the same as a public street, and that on Monday, the nineteenth day of March instant at four o'clock, he is required to be present to answer any objections which may be made therein.

Whereas, in the opinion of the 501.

Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Chaumont Avenue should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to Simon A. Baur that this Board intend to widen the Avenue before mentioned by taking a portion of his land and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday the nineteenth day of August instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

The Superintendent of the Market reported that he had received and paid to the City Treasurer for the quarter ending July 31, the sum of sixteen thousand two hundred eighty one dollars and seventy five cents. Placed on file.

Agreeably to notice E. B. Phillips appeared and stated to the Board that since the notice given of his intention to build on Congress Street he had abandoned such intention. The notice of intention to widen said street at that point was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

The Treasurer of the Fair Sales reported that during the quarter ending July 31 he had received the sum of four hundred and seventy six dollars and forty three cents, fifty per cent of which he had paid to the Society for Adult evening schools for order of City Council. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The City Registrar reported that for the quarter ending July 31 1861 he had received and

502. paid to the City Treasurer the sum of three hundred and no
(Aug. 12, 1861. dollars and fifty cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council.
m. Placed on file.

City Clerk The City Clerk reported that for
the quarter ending July 31, he had received and paid to the
City Treasurer the sum of one thousand and two dollars and
thirty seven cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council.
Placed on file.

Ordered: That the following bills
for materials or labor furnished by persons connected, directly
or indirectly with the City Government, be paid, provided they
are approved, audited and allowed in the usual manner,
viz: John Bonoursale, fifty four dollars and thirty cents, and
one hundred and eight dollars and nineteen cents. Moses Cook
fifty one dollar and five cents and three hundred and twenty
three dollars and seven cents. Eric & Freds fifty seven dollars
and eighty six cents. eight dollars and five dollars. Crocker &
Barker. fifteen dollars and ten cents and ten dollars & fifteen
cents. J. G. Lamell, fifty four dollars and twenty seven cents.
Wm Rich one hundred and fifty two dollars. J. C. Ballou, three
hundred and thirty seven dollars and eighty four cents. J.
Gibson, eighty dollars and ninety five cents. J. C. Martin, six
dollars and fifty nine cents. Wm J. Clark two hundred ninety
seven dollars and twenty six cents. Wentworth & Co three dollars
and fifty cents. George W. Parmenter, seventy three dollars and
fifteen cents. Samuel Sawyer, twenty five dollars and eight
cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. City
Council concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Sept 21 1861.

missioners respectfully represent that the following Sheds being west of Sement Street, viz: Norton, Rutland and Worcester Sheds, have been extended to the line of the Boston Water Power Company, are properly guarded and the land bordering upon them has been sold, and that nearly every lot is now built upon: they would therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Commissioners, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Ordered: That Norton, Rutland and Worcester Sheds, west of Sement Street, be accepted by the City, and hereafter said Sheds be placed in charge of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 13, 1861.

The order submitted to the Board on the twenty ninth ultimo for the Superintendent of Sheds to construct a sewer in Chestnut Street at the corner of West Cedar Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 13, 1861.

Chestnut
Street

The order submitted to the Board on the twenty ninth ultimo for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a sewer in Sullivan Street and in Lercher Street between Sullivan and Seventh Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 13, 1861.

Sullivan
Street.
Lercher Street.
Sewer.

The order submitted on the twenty ninth ultimo for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a sewer in Spring Street, and in Everett Street between Spring Street and Barton Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 13, 1861.

Spring
Street
Everett Street.

Ordered: That the Committee

Aug 12. 1861. on the Market be and they are hereby authorized to lease three
 Market. outside stands at Fenwick Hall subject on the same terms which
 outside land. have heretofore been paid for said stands. Read twice and passed.
 Approved by the Mayor Aug. 13. 1861

Courts
 Court House

The Committee on Public Build-

ing on the part of the Board of Aldermen attend respectfully
 present: That in constructing the enlargement of the Court-
 House for the accommodation of the courts now held there &
 elsewhere it became necessary to rearrange the disposition of
 the Court rooms and clerk's office. This was found to be a diffi-
 cult matter, but after numerous conferences with the representa-
 tives of the several courts, at which various plans were dis-
 cussed, an arrangement satisfactory to all was agreed upon,
 to wit: To use the second story of the enlargement for the
 Recorder's court and the same floor for the Criminal Court;
 to devote the rooms in the third story of the whole building to
 the three sessions of the Superior Court, giving to the Police
 Court the room in the second story at the northerly end now
 occupied by one session of the Superior Court, and giving to
 the Justice Court the room occupied by the Police court. To ad-
 apt all these rooms to the use determined upon, important
 changes and improvements were required in the northerly
 end of the building. It was proposed to furnish additional ap-
 partments for the officers of the courts, to provide a waiting-room
 for attendant female witnesses, and also to alter the stairways so
 as to bring prisoners from the cells to the court room out of the
 view of the crowd usually loitering about the doors and entries.
 A material improvement of the ventilation of the Police court

work is also contemplated. The Committee find it impossible 505.
to estimate the expense exactly but they believe it will not (Aug. 12. 1861.
exceed five thousand dollars, and they recommend the pass-
age of the accompanying order. For the Committee, J. A. Foster
Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings
on the part of this Board be and hereby are authorized to cause
to be made such alterations as they may deem necessary in the
interior construction of the northerly end of the County Court
House, at an expense not exceeding five thousand dollars, the
same to be charged to the appropriation for the County of Norfolk,
and the work to be done by contract or otherwise and this
Board doth adjudge that this amount together with all other
expenditures for repairs upon the County Court House for the current
year will not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 13. 1861.

Whereas it appears to this Board Decatur
that a nuisance exists on Decatur Street caused by stagnant Street.
water on said premises, belonging to Jacob Britchfield which is
dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered,
That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby direct-
ed to cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing a good
and sufficient drain at the expense of said party, who, having
been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuis-
ance.

Whereas it appears to this Board South
that a nuisance exists on premises 293 North Street caused by Street
stagnant water and an overflowing vault on said premises,
belonging to Hilby Sage which is dangerous to the health of the

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Jan. 12. 1861. inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing stagnant water by drainage or otherwise and directing the vault to be cleaned at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Prince

Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises 45. and 47. Prince Street caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Francis Mumber and James Wright and Oliver & Leason, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Morris

Leave was granted to Messrs. Morris, Pell & Shawbridge to give Concerts at Oldway Hall.

Lester

On petition of J. H. Lester, re appointment as an Auctioneer, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read & accepted.

Intelligence

Office

Leave was granted to Sherlock Spruner to keep an Intelligence Office at 100 Buckstone Street

Suffolk
Railroad.

The order submitted to the Board on the twenty ninth ultimo extending the location of the Suffolk Railroad within this city, being City Document No. 142 was read a second time and was laid on the table.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at ten o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the fourteenth day of August, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Clark, Parmenter, Weston and Gilson.

Agreeable to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed location of the Broadway Railroad over the route presented in the order of notice issued on the twenty ninth ultimo, and recorded page 486. Samuel W. Bates, Esq., appeared for the Broadway Railroad Company and stated the reasons for desiring the route prescribed. Seth J. Thomas, Esq., appeared in behalf of the Metropolitan Railroad Company not to oppose the prayer of the petitioners generally but in order to preserve their own rights in any and all cases where the proposed location may conflict with said rights. No other persons appearing to object to the proposed route after brief arguments by counsel, the subject was recommended to the Committee on Paving.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on
Monday the nineteenth day of August, Anno Domini, 1861.
Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Clark
and Hanson.

Crowley

Petition of Daniel Crowley and
others that water on the streets at East Boston may be furnished
to them. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Rich

Petition of Isaac Rich and others
that Winthrop Place may be paved. Referred to the Committee
on Paving.

Rice

Petition of Lewis Rice and others
that Sumner Street be widened. Referred to the Committee on
Streets.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor,
John E. Wells, George T. Richardson and George S. Wendurth were
appointed Police Officers of this City with all the powers of Constables
except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor,
George Spring, William G. Spring, and Cleage Spring were ap-
pointed Special Police Officers in connection with the Public In-
stitutions at Deer Island.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor
Thomas H. Sawyer was appointed a Special Police Officer at the
Boston Museum.

Whereas, in the opinion of the 509.

Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a street between Land & E. streets, should be opened and laid out as a highway. It is therefore hereby ordered, that due notice be given to Hiram A. Bruce, M. A. Huston, the heirs of Thomas Percy, H. N. Cleveland as administrators of said Estate, and Samuel Geeds, that this Board intend to lay out the street before mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street. and that Monday the twenty sixth day of August current at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made there to.

The Committee on relief to families of volunteers engaged in the service of their country reported that during the month of July they had awarded to six hundred and thirty three applicants the sum of five thousand three hundred and fifty six dollars and seventy cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

On motion of Alderman Hatch the Board took from the table the amended ordinance in relation to the Fire Department, and the question being concurred with the Common Council in the passage of said ordinance with the amendments accorded page 393, this Board concurred therein. approved by the Mayor August 20. 1861

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Telegraph Street and subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers

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Culver Street
No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Culver Street from Barker's Hook to the bridge street and subject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Battery Street
No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Battery Street by taking land of Peter Genney and subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Shawmut Avenue
No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Shawmut Avenue by taking land of Samuel A. Haw. said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

School Committee
vacancy
A message was received from the School Committee stating that a vacancy exists in that body by the resignation of Thomas Sears, and proposing a Convention of said body and this Board on Tuesday September 10th at four o'clock, P.M. for the purpose of filling said vacancy, read and thereupon ordered that a message be sent to the School Committee stating that this Board concurs in said proposition.

Federal Street
to be repaired
Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair Federal Street between Summer and East Streets and make such changes in the grade of said street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have no

refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost 511.

hundred dollars. Ordered: That the City of Boston be authorized to notify the owners and abutters on the above mentioned part of Federal Street to furnish new edgestones to support the sidewalk, the present ones being deemed insufficient for that purpose. And in default thereof they will be furnished by the city at their cost. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 20. 1861. Aug 19 1861

The Committee on Paving, on the petition of the Broadway Railroad Company for an additional location in Beach Street &c., and the right to run their horses and cars over the track of the Metropolitan Railroad, would report the accompanying order. For the Committee, George W. Parmenter. Ordered: That in addition to the location already granted to the Broadway Railroad Company in the several streets of the City of Boston, the said company shall have the right to lay down a single track across the Federal Street Bridge and thence in Federal Street to Beach Street, as the track are now laid down. Also a single track in the centre of Beach Street to and across South Street; also, a double track in the centre of Beach Street, from South Street to Harrison Avenue, also a single track from Harrison Avenue, on the easterly side of the roadway of Beach Street, so as to leave a space of nine feet between the outer rail and the edgestone of the northerly sidewalk of said Beach Street, to Washington Street, with authority there to connect with, and to run over with their horses and cars, the track of the Metropolitan Railroad Company, in Washington Street to Brylton Street in Brylton Street to Tremont Street, in Tremont Street from Brylton Street to Cornhill; in Cornhill

Broadway Railroad

51. to Washington Street; in Washington Street from Cornhill to Essex
Aug. 14, 1861. Street, in Essex Street from Washington Street to Harrison Av-
enue, in Harrison Avenue from Essex Street to the tracks of the
said Broadway Railroad Company in Beach Street, as before
mentioned. The right to lay down and use the said tracks is
under the express proviso and condition that the said Broadway
Railroad Company shall take up their tracks now laid down
in Summer Street in that portion of said Street which lies north-
wardly of Beach Street, and put down the same in the Street
in which they are hereby located, and shall repair said sum-
mer Street and South Street, after the tracks shall have been taken
up, in a manner satisfactory to the Committee on Paving and
Superintendent of Streets. Also under the further express proviso &
condition that the said Broadway Railroad Company shall,
at all times after the rails are laid down, keep in good order
and complete repair, at their own expense, the whole of the road-
way or cartway of Federal Street Bridge, Federal Street to Beach
Street, and Beach Street. Also under the further express proviso and
condition, that, at the time the track is laid down in Beach Street,
the whole of the roadway of that portion of said Beach Street,
between Federal and Lincoln Streets, shall be repaired with the
same material which now constitutes the pavement on said
Street, at the expense of said Broadway Railroad Company,
and to be done under the supervision of the Superintendent
of Streets, and to his satisfaction. Also under the further express
proviso and condition, that said Broadway Railroad Compa-
ny shall be subject to such restrictions as to the running of
the cars upon their tracks as the Board of Aldermen from time
to time shall decide that the public good shall require. Also

under the further express proviso and condition that in the con- 513
struction of the track granted by this location grant block of Aug 19 1881
such dimensions as the Superintendent of Streets shall direct
shall be laid down inside and outside of each rail, if the Com-
mittee on Paving and Superintendent of Streets shall deduct
for under the further express proviso and condition that the
whole work of laying down the track granted by this order
shall be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of
the Committee on Paving and the Superintendent of Streets. It
that the form of rail to be used shall be satisfactory to the Com-
mittee on Paving and Superintendent of Streets and shall be ap-
proved by them. The right to lay down these additional tracks is
granted under the further express proviso and condition that the
said Broadway Railroad Company shall make a correct re-
turn to the Board of Aldermen of the number of cars used up
on the track of the said Broadway Railroad Company, and
run, and owned by them, and shall pay into the City Treasury
for each successive six months, ending with the months of De-
cember and June in each year, the sum of one dollar for each
car run over the track of said Broadway Railroad, within
ten days from the day said return was due, provided, that
said company shall acquire no right not otherwise granted
to it by the payment of said sum. Also under the further ex-
press proviso and condition, that the said Broadway Railroad
Company shall accept this order of location, and agree to its
several provisions and conditions within ten days of the date
of its passage, and file the same with the City Clerk; otherwise
it shall be null and void. The roadway or cartway men-
tioned in this order is to include the whole of the space between

514. The adoption substituting the sidewalks on either side. Read twice,
Aug. 19, 1861. and the question being on the passage of said order, Alder-
man Weston moved to amend the same by adding the fol-
lowing proviso: "It is under the further proviso and condition
that the said Broadway Railroad Company shall within thirty
days after the passage of this Bill avail itself of the rights
and provisions of the second section of the 199th Chapter of the
acts of the Legislature passed April 11, 1861, concerning the issue
of commutation or exchange tickets on Horse Railroads, by re-
solving all the Horse Railroad companies that will be con-
nected by this Bill at this time, also all that may hereafter
be connected, within thirty days after such connection has
been made of its desire to have commutation or ex-
change checks or tickets and as provided for in the act refer-
red to." The question being on the adoption of this motion, the
Yeas and Nays were demanded and were taken as follows:
Yeas Aldermen Amory, Gibson, Rice, Gray, Weston, S. Noyes Aldermen
Patch, Furmenter, Rich, Spinnay, Wilson &c. The said amendment did
not prevail. The question then occurring on the adoption of the
order as reported by the committee the Yeas and Nays were
taken as follows: Yeas Aldermen Amory, Gibson, Patch,
Furmenter, Rice, Gray, Weston, Rich, Spinnay and Wilson &c. Nays
none. The said order was adopted. Approved by the Mayor, Aug-
ust 20, 1861.

Resolution
relating to
the
affairs of
the

The Director for Public Institutions
submitted to the Board for approval a statement of the affairs
and affairs at the House of Correction, House of Industry, House
of Reformation and Lunatic Hospital. Said on the last and
ordered to be printed.

which were agreed the petition of Metropolitan Railroad Company Aug 19 1861
up, with the order of police thereon for a permanent location of Metropolitan
their track as now temporarily located in Essex Street, Harrison Avenue
avenue, and Lever Street; also to extend their location through location
central street at the northern and western parts of the city. South West
over the tracks of the Middlesex, Suffolk, and Cambridge
road companies in said parts of the city; also the order of
the Board of Aldermen, to notify the said Metropolitan Railroad
company to remove the temporary tracks from Essex Street, Harrison
avenue, and Lever Street, and to extend their location to make
the location of the single track in Essex Street, Harrison Avenue,
and Lever Street, permanent: Also an order (See City Document,
No 14) authorizing the running of the cars of the Metropolitan
company over the tracks of the Middlesex, Suffolk and Cambridge
railroad companies in the northern and western sections of
the city. The order provides that no cars from without the limits
of the city shall be run over this route. Your Committee
do not think that the public good or necessity require that
any additional location of tracks is required at the portions
of the city above mentioned, but that the wants of the citizens
of the southern section of the city can be supplied by the run-
ning of the cars over the tracks already built, which will bring
them in connection with the various depots, without the encum-
bering any more streets with railroad tracks. For the Commit-
tee, George W. Parmenter. Ordered: That, in addition to the rights
already granted to the Metropolitan Railroad Company to lay
down tracks in the streets of the city of Boston, the said com-
pany shall have the further right to run their cars over the

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Trucks of the Middlesex, Suffolk, and Cambridge Railroad Com-
panies, as heretofore provided, is ordered: Commencing at the
track of the Middlesex Railroad at the corner of Cornhill and
Washington Street; thence over the track of the Middlesex Rail-
road Company in Washington Street, Dock Square, Union Street,
and Baymarket Square to Haverhill Street; thence over the track
of the Suffolk Railroad Company in Haverhill Street and
in Causeway Street to Portland Street; thence over the track of
the Cambridge Railroad Company in Portland Street to Mer-
rimac Street; thence over the track of the Suffolk Railroad Com-
pany across Merrimac Street and in Portland Street to Sud-
bury Street; thence over the track of the Middlesex Railroad Com-
pany in Sudbury and Court Streets and Fremont Row to the
track of the said Metropolitan Railroad Company in the open
space in front of Scotland's Building. The right to enter upon and
run cars over the tracks of the Middlesex, Suffolk, and Cam-
bridge Railroad Companies hereby granted under authority
of this order is under the express proviso and condition that
said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall pay to said Mid-
dlex, Suffolk and Cambridge Railroad Companies such com-
pensation for the use of their several tracks as may be agreed
upon by the respective Companies, and in case of disagreement
the compensation to be thus paid shall be determined by the
Board of Aldermen for the time being, or commissioners to be ap-
pointed by the Supreme Judicial Court. Also under the further
express proviso and condition that no cars shall be run over
this location except those running exclusively within the limits
of the city. Also under the further express proviso and condition
that said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall accept this

order granting the right to run their cars over the tracks of the
Middlesex, Suffolk, and Cambridge Railroad Companies, and
agree to comply with its several provisions and conditions in
writing, within twenty days of the date of its passage, and file
said acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk. Otherwise it
shall be null and void. Laid on the table, and ordered to be prin-
ted. City Document No 48.

Ordered: That in addition to Metropolitan
the rights heretofore granted to the Metropolitan Rail Road
Company to lay down tracks in the streets of the City of Boston
the location of a single track in Essex Street from Washington
Street to Harrison Avenue; in Harrison Avenue from Essex Street to
Lover Street; in Lover Street from Harrison Avenue to Wash-
ington Street temporarily granted to said Company, is hereby
made a permanent location upon the following provisions and
conditions, viz: The said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall
have the right to lay down a single track in Essex Street
from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue; in Harrison Avenue
from Essex Street to Lover Street; in Lover Street from Harrison
Avenue to Washington Street, and to form connections with the
tracks of said Company in Washington Street, as the tracks are
now laid in said Street. The location of the tracks in Essex Street,
Harrison Avenue, and Lover Street made permanent and gran-
ted under authority of this order, is under the express proviso
and condition that the said Metropolitan Railroad Company
shall relay said single track whenever ordered to do by the
Committee on Paving and the Superintendent of Streets for
the time being, and when said tracks are relaid granite blocks
of such dimensions as the Superintendent of Streets shall di-

518 rect, shall be laid down inside and outside of each rail.

And under the further express provision and condition that the said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall not run the passenger trains or workline cars in Cement Street ^A between ^B Vermont ^C or Washington Street. The said Metropolitan Railroad Company is hereby allowed to construct and maintain a curve track at its ^A ^B ^C ^D ^E ^F ^G ^H ^I ^J ^K ^L ^M ^N ^O ^P ^Q ^R ^S ^T ^U ^V ^W ^X ^Y ^Z ^{AA} ^{AB} ^{AC} ^{AD} ^{AE} ^{AF} ^{AG} ^{AH} ^{AI} ^{AJ} ^{AK} ^{AL} ^{AM} ^{AN} ^{AO} ^{AP} ^{AQ} ^{AR} ^{AS} ^{AT} ^{AU} ^{AV} ^{AW} ^{AX} ^{AY} ^{AZ} ^{BA} ^{BB} ^{BC} ^{BD} ^{BE} ^{BF} ^{BG} ^{BH} ^{BI} ^{BJ} ^{BK} ^{BL} ^{BM} ^{BN} ^{BO} ^{BP} ^{BQ} ^{BR} ^{BS} ^{BT} ^{BU} ^{BV} ^{BW} ^{BX} ^{BY} ^{BZ} ^{CA} ^{CB} ^{CC} ^{CD} ^{CE} ^{CF} ^{CG} ^{CH} ^{CI} ^{CJ} ^{CK} ^{CL} ^{CM} ^{CN} ^{CO} ^{CP} ^{CQ} ^{CR} ^{CS} ^{CT} ^{CU} ^{CV} ^{CW} ^{CX} ^{CY} ^{CZ} ^{DA} ^{DB} ^{DC} ^{DD} ^{DE} ^{DF} ^{DG} ^{DH} ^{DI} ^{DJ} ^{DK} ^{DL} ^{DM} ^{DN} ^{DO} ^{DP} ^{DQ} ^{DR} ^{DS} ^{DT} ^{DU} ^{DV} ^{DW} ^{DX} ^{DY} ^{DZ} ^{EA} ^{EB} ^{EC} ^{ED} ^{EE} ^{EF} ^{EG} ^{EH} ^{EI} ^{EJ} ^{EK} ^{EL} ^{EM} ^{EN} ^{EO} ^{EP} ^{EQ} ^{ER} ^{ES} ^{ET} ^{EU} ^{EV} ^{EW} ^{EX} ^{EY} ^{EZ} ^{FA} ^{FB} ^{FC} ^{FD} ^{FE} ^{FF} 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Also under the further express proviso and condition that the
said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall make a correct
return to the Board of Aldermen of the number of cars used
and run upon any of the tracks of the said Metropolitan
Road from without the City of Boston, and shall pay into the
city treasury for each successive six months, ending with the
months of December and June, in each year, the sum of one
dollar for each car as before mentioned within ten days from the
day said return was due; provided, that said Company shall
acquire no right not otherwise granted to it by the payment of
said sum. Also under the further express proviso and condition,
to the location granted under the authority of this order, that
said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall accept this said
order of location, and agree to comply with its several provisions
and conditions in writing, within twenty days of the date of its
passage, and file said acceptance and agreement with the
city clerk; otherwise it shall be null and void. The roadway
or cartway mentioned in this order is to include the whole space
between the edgestones supporting the sidewalks on both sides
of the street. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The Committee on Paving, on
the petition of the Cambridge Railroad Company, for amend-
ment of their order of location of July 25, 1866, so as to allow cars
to be run over the Cambridge Bridge route, other than those specified
in said order, would report the accompanying order, making the
change asked for; by which change it will be seen that the
number of cars on which a tax will be paid into the city
treasury will be increased, and the public travel be better ac-

520. commoated. For the Committee, George W. Parmenter. Ordered:
Aug. 19. 1861. That so much of the location granted to the Cambridge Rail-
road Company approved July 25. 1860, as provides that the North
Turne, Porter's Hotel, West Cambridge, and other cars, shall be
run over the tracks granted under the order of said location, be
and the same is hereby rescinded upon the following provisions
and conditions being agreed to in writing and filed with the
city clerk, viz: That the provision and condition in said order
of location of the Cambridge Railroad Company of July 25. 1860,
which provides for a semi-annual return of the cars run up-
on the tracks over Gracies Bridge, and the payment into the
city Treasury, semi-annually, of the sum of fifteen dollars for
each car, be altered and amended so that the returns to be made
each year shall embrace the entire number of cars run into the
city of Boston over both route of said Cambridge Railroad
Company, viz: over the Hancock Tree Bridge and Gracies Bridge,
as called and said Cambridge Railroad Company shall pay
into the city Treasury, semi-annually, as herein set forth, the
sum of fifteen dollars on each of one half of the number of cars
as before mentioned, upon the terms and conditions also set forth
in said provision and condition. And on the table and ordered
to be printed.

West. Hill: The Committee on Paving on the
Episcopal Church: remonstrances of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, and
Arthur and Ellis and others against the proposed location of turn-
outs for the Suffolk Railroad in Hanover Street, would respectfully
Suffolk Railroad report that they have reported to the Board of Aldermen as
the result of their deliberation on the subject an order of loca-
tion for said turnouts in Hanover Street, for their consideration.

major committee wish to be discharged from further action in the matter. In the committee, Geo. H. Darnley, read & accepted. Nov 19 1862

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises situated on Everett Street and in rear caused by insufficient drainage on said premises, belonging to Mr. Saml. McLaughlin John Brock, Henry Hall, C. A. Butler, and John Doss, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing a good and sufficient drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Everett
Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises belonging to Edward Butler, caused by an overflowing vault on said premises, belonging to Edward Butler, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by having the same entered on books to be cleaned, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Greenough
Lane

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Cavanagh to furnish a Steam Fire Engine for the protection of houses and shipping from fire, advised that it is inexpedient to act on the same at the present time. Read and accepted.

Cavanagh

Charles C. Butchelder was appointed
Wealwigher

522 pointed by the Board a local Weigher in this City.

Aug 19. 1861.

Hose Carriage
and Section.

The Committee on the Fire Department reported that it was inexpedient to locate a new Hose Carriage and apparatus in the First Section at East Boston at the present time, as prayed for by the Chief Engineer of said Department. Read and accepted.

Christian
Tract
Association

The Committee on the Common Council advised that leave be granted to the Christian Tract Association to preach on the Common on Sabbath afternoon on the ground assigned for the Young Men's Christian Association on such sundays as can be arranged for with said last Association. Read and accepted.

Intelligence
Office

Leave was granted to Lucia Huntington to keep an Intelligence Office at 115 Court Street, on the usual conditions.

Minor
Hack license

Leave was granted to George A. Pinkham, a minor, to have a Hack license in this City.

Auctioneer.

A. J. Griffin was appointed an Auctioneer at 66 Hancock Street in this City.

Mells

Leave was granted to L. Mells & Co. to give Musical Entertainments at the National Theatre in this City.

Vote
Broadway

On petition of Samuel Cole and others that the sidewalks on Broadway between E and L Streets may be graded, the Committee on Paving reported that the Superintendent of Streets has power because the same has been accepted

that Congress Street may be repaired, the Committee on
Savings reported that no action is required thereon this year. Read
and accepted.

On the several petitions of
John Doe to be paid for damages sustained by change of
grade in Fifth Street near L Street - also for damages sustained
by change of grade in E Street; of John D. to be paid
for grade damages on Fourth Street near G Street the Commit-
tee on Savings reported same to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of William L. King-
bury and others that Groton Street may be repaired, the Commit-
tee on Savings reported same to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of C. A. Fay and
others that Five Street may be accepted, the Committee on
Savings reported that the City will accept and dedicate as a
public highway Five Street between Beacon and Chestnut
Streets whenever the abutters will relinquish all claims for
grade damages. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Streets be authorized to repair Dover Street from Wash-
ington Street to Suffolk Street and make such changes in the
grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove
all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem
dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which
are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City;
and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to

John

Kingbury

Fay

Five Street

Dover

Street

524 become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have
Nov. 19, 1861. refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost
" six hundred dollars. Read once.

Lavel

Ordered, That there be paid to
Jane Lavel the sum of two hundred dollars, in full compen-
sation for damages to her estate on Harve Street occasioned by
a change of grade thereof, upon her moving her title to said es-
tate to the satisfaction of the city Solicitor and upon her giving
to the city an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs
and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that
the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read
once.

O'Brien

Ordered: That there be paid
to John O'Brien the sum of two hundred dollars in com-
pensation for damages to his estate in Harve Street occasioned
by a change of grade thereof upon his moving his title to said estate and
upon his giving to the city an acquittance and discharge for
all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change
of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for
Paving &c. Read once.

Porter

Street

Ordered: That Porter Street, run-
ning from Beacon Street to Indiana Ave be accepted and
dedicated as a public highway upon a deed of the same being
given to the city of Boston. Ordered: That the Superintendent of
Highways be authorized to have the outlet and grade of Porter Street
as above described when the condition in the above order is com-
plied with. Read once.

Kneeland

Street

Ordered, That the Superintendent
of Highways be authorized to repair Kneeland Street between India-

and Tyler Street, and make such changes in the grade of 525
said street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such
projections on the line of said street as he shall deem danger-
ous; also to close all openings into said street, which are not
secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the city; and those
which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become danger-
ous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to re-
pair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost five hundred
dollars. Read once.

Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer, in Tele-
graph Street, between Old Harbor and Lenox Street, and that
public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Or-
dered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby
directed to construct a common sewer in said Telegraph Street,
and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board,
pursuant to law. Read once.

Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer in Clinton
Street, between York and White Streets, and that public notice
of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the
Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct
a common sewer in said Clinton Street, and to report a sched-
ule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read
once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to repave Winter Street with Trap Rock
Blocks, and make such changes in the grade of said street,
as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections.

526 on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also
Mr. 19. 1861. to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in
accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are
so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and
which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due
notice to that effect. Estimated cost two thousand dollars. Read once.

Old Road.

Ordered, That the Superintendent
of Streets is authorized to pave Old Road from Broadway to
Fourth Street, in conformity with the established grade, and re-
move all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall
deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not se-
cured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated
cost six hundred dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
dermen of the City of New York held at City Hall on Monday the
twenty first day of January, Anno Domini 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Amos

Amos

Thirty one *havers* *jurors* drawn for
the first term of the Supreme Court and thirty five *havers*
drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Petition of Robert Levin for 527

leave to move a wooden building from Dedham Street through Shawmut Avenue to Middlesex Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with 100 yds. May 20, 1881

Levin

Petition of David C. Lee for a

lamp in State Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

C. Lee

Petition of Elizabeth Le Guin

for removal of a tree in the sidewalk at 140 Summer St. Referred to the Committee on Commons.

Le Guin

Petition of Solomon Piper &

others that Federal Street between South Main and East Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Piper

Petition of Charles C. Barry (Ad-

ministrators), to be paid for land to widen Essex Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Barry

Petition of Arthur Pickering &

others that Famberton Square may be required. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Pickering

Petition of Ebenezer Atkins and

others that Bennington Street near Swift Street may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Atkins

Petition of East Boston Street

Company for leave to construct a railroad track through a portion of Webster Street and across Davis Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

East Boston

Street

Petition of First Methodist Epis-

copal Church that the Board would visit the premises before

First Meth.

Church

528. granting a turnout to the Norfolk railroad company in Hanover
(Aug. 26. 1861. Street. Read and laid on the table.

Suffolk
railroad

A report from the Chief of Police
relating the points of passage and detention of the Norfolk
railroad car at City Building. Referred to the Committee
concerning.

Fire
Department
Licenses

Agreeably to the recommenda-
tion of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the dis-
charge of Hampton L. Howard from engine company No 3. James
W. Binkham from engine Co. No 6. Francis E. Brigham from Hose
Co. No 5. George Thompson and Edward B. Stern from Hook &
Ladder Co. No 1. Albert E. Gould from office of Foreman of Hose Co. 3.
were confirmed by the Board.

Fire
Department

On nomination by the Mayor
Henry Auckin was appointed a member of engine company
No 3. William H. Gardner of Hose No 5. Daniel C. Bickford and
George Hall of Hook and Ladder No 1. and James A. Cole of engine
company No 6.

Constable

On nomination by the Mayor. Wil-
liam W. Briggs was appointed as a constable of this City.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor George
H. Cole was appointed a special Police Officer at Midland Rail
Road Depot, foot of Summer Street.

Simmons -
Rich Street

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board,
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a
portion of land situate on Rich Street should be taken and laid
out as a public highway, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that au-
thority be given to John Simmons that this Board intend to widen

the street before mentioned, by taking a portion of his land and 529.
laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the second
day of September next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the
time for hearing any objection which may be made thereto.

Petition of the owners of the Water Pipe at East Boston
the Department that the water pipe at East Boston may be con-
sidered as to be serviceable in case of fire. Forwarded to the Architect
Water Board. Sent down for concurrence. Sept. 1861.

No person appearing to object Silver
to the proposed extension or opening of Silver Street to taking
and of H. A. Davis, H. A. Hutton, the heirs of Thomas Wiley, and
Samuel Gads, said subject was recommended to the committee
on Streets.

Ordered: That the payment of Shanley
the sum of ten dollars and eight cents assessed by an order
of the Board upon William Shanley as his proportion of the
cost of constructing the common sewer in Quincy Street and
the same is hereby postponed until a drain from the estate
of said Shanley shall be connected with the sewer in Quincy
Street; the payment of said assessment being postponed in con-
sequence of the said William Shanley being unable to pay the same.
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Board August 28, 1861

Ordered: That the payment Sippie
of the sum of twenty two ³⁰ dollars assessed by an order of
the Board of Aldermen January 13, 1860 upon Anna Sippie as
her proportion of the cost of constructing a common sewer in Main

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no 26. 1861. Under Avenue, to and the same to have postponed until a
Under Avenue, the payment of said assessment being postponed
in consequence of her inability to pay the same. Read twice and
passed. Approved by the Mayor August 28, 1861.

Orter

The orders submitted at the last
meeting of the Board for the acceptance of Orter Street and for
the appointment of Street to have the gutters and grade said
street were read a second time and passed. Approved by the
Mayor, August 28, 1861.

Telegraph
Street.

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Surveys to con-
struct a Survey in Telegraph Street between Old Harbor & Lehigh
Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
August 28, 1861.

Entaw

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Surveys to construct
a Survey in Entaw Street between Hook and Pike Street was read
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 28, 1861.

Lavel

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Jane Lavel two hundred dollars for
grade damages on Lavel Street was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 28, 1861.

O'Brien

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Anne O'Brien two hundred dollars
for grade damages on Anne Street was read a second time and

passed. Approved by the Mayor August 28, 1861.

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Aug. 26, 1861

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Winter Street with trap rock blocks was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 28, 1861.

Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the Old Road from Broadway to South Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 28, 1861.

Old Road

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Lever Street from Washington Street to Suffolk Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 28, 1861.

Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Lincoln Street between Hudson and York Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 28, 1861.

Lincoln

Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair West Street with trap rock blocks, and make such changes in the grade of said street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to cause all animals into said street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so

West

Street.

532. much out of repair & it is due to become dangerous, and
Aug. 26. 1861. which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due
notice to that effect. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Ordered:
That the Com. of Public Works be directed to notify the owners and arat-
tors on said street that to furnish new edgstones to support the
curb in front of their respective wharves, these now down are
deemed insufficient to that purpose. And that in default thereof
said edgstones will be furnished to the City at their cost Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 28. 1861.

Broadway
Railroad

Notice was received that at a
meeting of the Broadway Railroad Company held on the twenty
fourth instant, the location granted to said Company by this Board
on the nineteenth instant and approved by the Mayor on the
twentieth instant was accepted by said Company. Read and
placed on file.

Horse
Carriage
Exchange

Alderman Preston submitted to the
Board the following order. Ordered, That in all cases where any
horse railroad company shall connect with or run cars over
the track or tracks of any other horse railroad company within
the limits of this City a system of exchange or commutation
tickets shall be established by the companies interested for the
accommodation of the public pursuant to Chapter 109 of the Statutes
of 1861. Read twice and passed by the following vote - Ayes, Al-
dermen Clark, Gilson, Hanson, Rice, Preston, Rich. B. Hall, Aldermen
Hitch, Harmerla, Gray, Spinney, Niles 5. Approved by the Mayor
Aug. 28. 1861.

Public
" "
Board

On motion of Alderman Harmerla
the Board took from the table the report and order extending

the location of the Suffolk Railroad upon and over the tracks of 533
the Metropolitan Railroad Company in Washington, Boylston and
Gremont Street, and in East Street and it was turned in. The
are Street. And the question being on the passage of said order
of location as recorded page 517, it was amended by striking out at
the word "and" and by inserting at B "and use" also by insert-
ing at C "maintain and use" also by inserting at D "in Washing-
ton, Boylston and Gremont Street" also by striking out all the
words between E and F. also by striking out the entire para-
graph between G and H. and then said amendment was
adopted. Submitted to the Mayor for approval Aug. 28 1861, Sep-
tember 2^d /

On motion of Alderman Hatch, Metropolitan
the Board took from the table the order granting a permanent Railroad
location to the Metropolitan Railroad in Garden Avenue and Garden Avenue
East Lane Street and the question being on the passage of said
order as recorded page 517, it was amended by inserting at A
the word "in" by inserting at B. the word "in", and by inserting
at C "northerly of Washington Street" Said order of location as amend-
ed was then adopted. (See page 542 September 2^d 1861)

On motion of Alderman Hatch, the Cambridge
Board took from the table the report and order changing one of the
the conditions of the location granted to the Cambridge Railroad
Company July 25. 1860, in relation to the running of certain cars
over Cowie's Bridge and the Hancock Free Bridge and the
tax of fifteen dollars on said cars and the question being on
the passage of said order as recorded page 514, it was adopted
without amendment. Approved by the Mayor Aug. 28. 1861.

Aug. 26, 1861
Ames

The Committee on laying out and widening streets to whom was referred the petition of Samuel J. Ames and others that a new street may be laid out from Northampton Street to Prescott Place, reported that inasmuch as the owners have not proposed to give their land to the public, action is necessary thereon. Read and accepted.

May

The Committee on laying out and widening streets to whom was referred the remonstrance of David and Ebenezer Clapp and others against the proposed widening of Franklin Street, reported that no further action is necessary in the matter. Read and accepted.

May

On petition of Daniel Crowley and others that labor be furnished to them on the streets at East Boston, reported that no action is required as the Board of Aldermen have ordered a street to be graded at East Boston which will furnish employment to the petitioners. Read and accepted.

Salem
Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises 122 Salem Street caused by an excavating vault on said premises, belonging to George Hancock which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by directing the said vault to be closed at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Lancaster
Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No. 30 Lancaster Street,

caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to 535.

Charles Lape which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, (Nov. 26. 1861)
it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and
he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by re-
moving all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said
party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected
to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board Myrtle
that a nuisance exists on premise No 26 Myrtle Street caused by
stagnant water on said premises, belonging to Wm B. Richards,
which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby
Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby
directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by drainage or
otherwise at the expense of said party, who, having been duly
notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board Springfield
that a nuisance exists on vacant lot in Springfield Street caused
by stagnant water on vacant lot without drainage on said
premises, belonging to John Lineman which is dangerous to the
health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Super-
intendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuis-
ance to be abated by filling and draining said lot at the ex-
pense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has
neglected to abate said nuisance.

Ordered, That the Superintend- Green Street
ent of Streets be authorized to repair Green Street from Chambers
to Shunited Street, and Chambers Street at its junction with Green
Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as

536. He shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections
(Aug. 26. 1861. on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close
all openings into said street, which are not secured in accordance
with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so
much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and
which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after
due notice to that effect. Estimated cost one thousand dollars.
Read once.

Boylston
Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to repair Boylston Street between
Washington Street and Faneuil Street with trap rock blocks,
and make such changes in the grade of said street, as he
shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line
of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings
into said street, which are not secured in accordance
with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are
so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and
which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after
due notice to that effect. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars.
Ordered That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners
and occupants on said part of Boylston Street to furnish new
sidewalks to support the sidewalk in front of their respective es-
tates, as those now down are deemed insufficient for that purpose.
and that in default thereof the same will be furnished by the City
at their cost. Ordered, That the Metropolitan Mutual Company
be notified to repair the portion of Boylston Street, which they are
required to keep in repair, at the same time as the work is done by
the City and with the same material as specified in the first
order. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 53;
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the Second day of September, Anno Domini, 1861

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Allen

Three Grand Jurors and two Jurors

Petit Jurors were drawn for the United States District Court.

Petition of Michael Kenley and Kenley

two hundred others petitioners of Ward 12 that water may be given
them on the public works in that Ward: Referred to the Committee
on Paving.

Petition of A. C. Brewster & others Brewster

for use of Faneuil Hall on September 6th instant for a Union meet-
ing. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power

Petition of Franklin Curtis and Curtis

others that a sewer may be constructed in May Street. Referred
to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of E. Downing that a Downing

sewer may be laid in East Boston to drain the houses in the
corner of Union and Harve Streets. Referred to the Committee on
Sewers.

Petition of George Tyler Bigelow Bigelow

and others that Federal Street may be widened at the corner
of Channing Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

On nomination by the Mayor, Constable

538 Edwin Robinson was appointed a constable of this city.

Sept. 2, 1861.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor William Loider was appointed a member of the Detective Force of the Police Department, and was invested with all the powers of a constable except the power of serving and executing civil process.

Fire

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Frederick E. Case was discharged from Engine Company No. 3. William Pray from Engine Company No. 9, and George Curran, Joseph H. Edie and Charles R. Turner from Hook & Ladder Company No. 3.

Fire

On nomination by the Mayor the admission of the following persons into the Fire Department was approved by the Board viz: Albert J. Hickey, Engine No. 3. Samuel E. Stone Engine No. 9. George W. Pike Hook & Ladder No. 3. and A. F. Hawkins was appointed Foreman of Hose 3, in place of A. F. Gould resigned.

Arch

Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Arch Street by taking land of John Simmons, said subject was committed to the Committee on Streets.

Bills

to be paid

Ordered: That the following bill

for materials or labor furnished to persons connected directly or indirectly with the City Government be paid, provided they are approved, audited and allowed in the usual manner viz: Sullivan & Co. twenty six dollars and thirty five cents thirty

five dollars and nine cents made one dollar and twenty
two cents. ten dollars and ninety six cents and five dollars and
seventy five cents. J. Burr Hon, five hundred forty one dollars
and thirty six cents and nineteen dollars and forty three
cents. Mark Rogers twenty six dollars and ninety one cents
Moses Clark three hundred thirty one dollars and thirty eight cents
James Wade one hundred and twenty five dollars, E. Baker and
Brewster, nineteen dollars and forty three cents. George W. Permen-
ter twelve dollars and four cents. Smith and Bullard, twenty
seven dollars and fifty two cents. Read twice and passed.
Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 19. Came up concurred. Approved
by the Mayor September 21. 1861.

His Honor the Mayor nominated
to the Board the following persons as members of the Fire Department.
Engine 1. Henry W. Fowler, Joseph B. Fowler. Engine
2. Charles Spear, Daniel Swift. Engine 3. Daniel S. Hewes. Lynd
Ryan. Engine 4. Christopher Tracy, Thomas P. Bagley. Engine
5. John M. Tucker, Charles F. Collier. Engine 6. William L. Walling-
ford, Charles C. Smith. Engine 8. E. J. Smith, Archibald Smith. En-
gine 9. Philander Fuller, Albert A. Hamblen. Jose C. & John Pomi-
nus. Read and laid on the table.

The Bond of William W. Briggs, Constable's
a Constable having been first approved by the City Treasurer, bond
was also approved by this Board. Approved by the Mayor, Sep-
tember 3^d 1861.

Resolved, That the safety and
convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Battery
Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary
to take, and lay out as a public street a way of the said City,
Battery
Street
Convey

A parcel of land extending to the survey, bounded as follows,
Sep. 3. 1861 viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening of the said
Battery Street, then measuring eleven feet and $\frac{100}{100}$: Westwardly
by land of Aldermen $\frac{66}{100}$ of a foot: Southwardly by the present
line of the said Street, eleven feet and $\frac{100}{100}$: and Eastwardly
by land of the said Survey $\frac{40}{100}$ of a foot: containing six square
feet, more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of
the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land
for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto en-
closed, It is therefore ordered, That the parcel of land before de-
scribed be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a
public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of
the said widening made by James S. Gode, City Engineer, de-
tiled Aug 31. 1861, and deposited in the office of the said Board of
Aldermen. And this Board doth certify that the expense of
widening the said Battery Street, as aforesaid, will amount
to eighteen dollars: which sum together with the amount of
estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said
Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed
the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor Sep. 3. 1861.

Green
Street
Chambers
Street

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to
repair Green Street from Chambers to Staniford Streets, and Cham-
bers Street at its junction with Green Street, was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor September 3. 1861

Boylston
Street

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repair

Scriven Street from Washington to Tremont Street with top rock 341.
blocks and for the abutments to furnish new abutments in said street and for the Metropolitan Railroad Company to repair so much of said Scriven Street as they are required to keep in repair were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 3. 1861.

The Board of Land Commissioners respectfully represent that Union Park Street, west of Tremont Street, was filled and graded by them in 1851 at the line of the Boston Water Power Company, and in 1855, said Board has agreed to deed to the City of Boston thirteen hundred and three square feet of land to extend said Union Park Street to a street marked **K**, laid out by the Boston Water Power Company as shown upon a plan recorded in Book of Plans, Vol. 1, page 104, in the office of the Superintendent of Public Lands, upon condition that the same should be filled up by the City and used as a public highway. The land has been filled, the deed passed and entered upon record and is now in the possession of the Auditor. They therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Commissioners, Samuel Hatch, Chairman.
Ordered: That Union Park Street, west of Tremont Street be accepted by the City, and that henceforth said Street be placed in charge of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair Barrett Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into Barrett Street.

except the Cambridge, and has a return track through North 543.
Shed to the City, and, therefore, no necessity exists for there ever to Ep. 2. 1861.
be run both ways on a single track in Ganover Street. Second,
because, it is an unreasonable incumbrance, to allow three turn-
outs in this long and crowded thoroughfare, with an average
width of less than nineteen feet in width; granting, virtual-
ly, a double track in the narrowest portions of the street, so as
materially to obstruct the ordinary travel, and prevent the rea-
sonable use of the street by the abuttees. This ought only to be
permitted on the ground of the most urgent necessity, and for
the benefit of our own citizens. Third, because, in addition to the
Guthrie railroad, the same track is to be used by the Chesapeake and
Annapolis railroad Company, with such extension of the several
routes to other towns, as may hereafter be obtained, resulting either
in an enormous expense to the City for widening the Street,
or, in a monopoly of the entire street by the railroad cars,
and thus producing such a depreciation of the property of the
abuttees, that no possible advantage to the Guthrie Rail Road
would be any adequate compensation. "Fourth," because, the Board
having introduced an important provision and condition
in their recent grant of location to the Broadway Rail Road
Company, I believe that the public interest requires its applica-
tion to the Guthrie Railroad, and that all such portions of
the previous locations as were to be superseded by the new grant,
should be surrendered to the City, the rails removed and the
streets paved and put in good condition at the expense of the
railroad company. I also object to allowing the Guthrie railroad
cars to go on the Metropolitan track through Washington, Columbia
and Clement Streets. First, because it involves a principle, which

544. If authorized, cannot fail to produce results which I believe the
2d. 2. 1861. Board have not sufficiently considered. The extension to South
Street forms no part of the legitimate route of the Suffolk Railroad
but is an encroachment on the rights and privileges of the Metro-
politan Railroad to the way travel on this portion of their route.
If, therefore, the Suffolk Railroad is allowed to encroach upon the
rights of the Metropolitan as far as South Street, because the
people of East Boston do not wish to change cars or pay for fare,
the same reasons exist for the cars going to North Dock, and if
this conceded to the people of East Boston why should not the
people of South Boston insist upon their right to have the cars
of the Metropolitan Railroad carry them to the Maine Railroad
Station running their point over the track of the Suffolk Railroad?
Is there any reason why the people of South Boston should
not claim the same privilege for their cars? Such an abnegation of
the rights of the several street railroad companies to occupy cer-
tain locations, would be inconsistent with those principles of
equity and justice which should characterize the legislation of
our City, and which, I cannot believe was intended to be in-
fringed by the present Board of Aldermen. Second, because, great
trouble and inconvenience must be experienced by those who
wish to take certain cars, from the difficulty of distinguishing
the cars of the several lines, particularly at night, when they
are all going in one direction. In the case of the Broadway
Railroad, I approved the order for its location over the Metro-
politan track because it was the least objectionable mode by which
their cars could reach the common centre of Seely's Building.
Third, because the adoption of an order by the Board, requiring
the several connecting railroads to arrange for interchange of

that the citizens in all actions of the City, can change from
the car of one company to that of another, and go to any part of the city at a reduced price, appears to me to accomplish the
object desired, in a manner which must commend it the favor
of all our citizens. I have thus, as concisely as possible, endeav-
ored to present to the Board some of the reasons to which I am
governed in my action upon this matter, and which, I trust, will
be received and considered by them, as being prompted by
a sincere desire to protect the interests of the City, and, to promote
the welfare of the railroads, as far as may be consistent with
that duty. In doing so, I am influenced by the Board, I avail my-
self of the present opportunity to present some general views in re-
gard to this subject, which may be even deemed worthy of con-
sideration. I presume it to be self evident, that the tracks of the
Horse railroads in the public streets are detrimental to the
ordinary travel, and obstructive to the pavement and grade
of the streets. In a city like Boston where many of the streets
are so narrow as not to allow the passage of vehicles on each
side of the track, the location of railroads in these streets ought
never to be made when the advantages to be derived to our citizens
are so much greater than the inconvenience of the rail to ordi-
nary travel, as to justify the location. The frequent demands
of the railroads for new locations, and the remonstrances and
protests which are made in opposition to them by the owners
of estates and abutters on the proposed location, should in all
cases be carefully weighed, and if the location be granted, it
should be on the ground of public utility, and with a ju-
dicious regard for the rights of the citizen. The need of a compre-
hensive view and examination of all the preceding wants of

546 location, and the streets through which tracks may be extended
Sep. 2. 1861 with the least disadvantage to the property of the abutters and the
public travel, is becoming more and more necessary. And every
additional grant of our Streets for this purpose, should be jealously
guarded by this Board, who are entrusted with such momentous
responsibilities by our citizens. No more important subject for Munic-
ipal action has probably ever occurred upon the Board of Aldermen,
and while some errors of judgement have been unavoidable
from the introduction of a new enterprise of this magnitude, it
is our duty to take advantage of whatever light may be deriv-
ed from the experience of the past or the lessons of the present, that
the confidence reposed in us by our fellow-citizens, may be justifi-
ed by our acts. Joseph H. Wrightman, Mayor. Read, and the ques-
tion being on the passage of said order of location as recorded
page 492 notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor thereof, W.
H. Alderman Fitch moved that said order be laid on the table, which
motion prevailed.

Friend Street
Place

Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists on premises in Friend Street Place caused
by defective drainage and water in cellar on said premises, be-
longing to P. A. Stone, which is dangerous to the health of the in-
habitants it is hereby ordered that the Superintendent of Health be,
and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated
by removing obstructions from said drain and the water in
cellar, and the absence of said nuisance, and having seen duly reli-
ed by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

East Boston
May 1861

The Committee on Paving to
whom was referred the petition of the East Boston Street Com-

leave to construct a railroad track through a portion
of Webster Street and across Lewis Street, reported that in the
opinion of the City Solicitor the Board of Aldermen have no right
to grant the prayer of the petition. Read and accepted.

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Sep. 2 1861.

The Committee on Paving reported on petition of James
Hickman and others that Winthrop's Place, or as it is now called, Devonshire
will be paved when the owners of the fee of the same re-
linquish to the city the fee of the width of said lot again,
and in the instrument of relinquishment the parties can re-
serve to themselves the right of excavating under the sidewalk.
Read and accepted.

Hickman
Devonshire
Place.

The Committee on Paving to
whom was referred the copy of the license granted in the case of
George S. Thomas reported that the city can take no action in the
premises. Read and accepted.

Thomas

On petition of Arthur Pickering
and others that Pemberton Square may be graded and repaired,
the Committee on Paving reported that as the Superintendent
of Public Works has repaired said square, no further action is neces-
sary thereon. Read and accepted.

Pickering
Pemberton Square

On petition of Elizabeth Le Cain
for removal of a tree in the sidewalk of Ash Summer Street
the Committee on Aldermen reported that the petitioners have
leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Le Cain

On petition of Robert
Edmond for permission to move a wooden building from Hudson
Street through Ledham and Tremont Streets to Roxbury, the Com-
mittee on Paving reported that leave be granted on condition

Edmond

548. that the building be moved at night and within six hours.

Sep. 2 1861. Read and accepted.

L.
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to make L. Street, between Fifth Street and the water line, as limited cost four thousand dollars. Read once.

Sullivan

Ordered, That there be paid to Enoch H. Sullivan the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, for and taken to widen Fifth Street in the name of the City of New York, and in full of all damages of any nature whatsoever then accruing to the City as well for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening Fifth Street. Read once.

Shelling

Ordered: That there be paid to Enoch H. Shelling for whom it may concern the sum of eight hundred and twenty seven ⁵⁰ dollars, for and taken to widen Fifth Street in the name of the City of New York, upon his giving to the City a deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening Fifth Street. Read once.

Musical

Festival.

Ordered: That Aldermen with such of the Common Council as may join, be a committee with the approval of the Board the Mayor to consider the expediency of procuring the coöperation of the School Committee in arrangements for any musical performance by the pupils of the public schools that in their judgment may be an appro-

private employment to be paid to any number of the city and to
do whatever else may be in their opinion fitting for the same
purpose, with full powers. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the Ninth day of September, Anno Domini 1851.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Seth Hamilton & Hamilton

others that Cross Street, East Boston, may be accepted, and that
its name be changed to Crescent Street, and that it be widened
near New Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Emily Souther & others Souther

that Green Street may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on
Paving.

Petition of Cyrus L. Harris for Harris

appointment as an Auctioneer at a certain May, referred to
the Committee on Licenses.

Remonstrance of Sarah Atkins Atkins

against the proposed erection of a public square by Boston
Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs.

Petition of Nathaniel Hayward and Hayward

550. others that a sewer be laid in Bremen Street. Referred to the
Sep. 9. 1861. Committee on Sewing.

Smith Petition of Charles E. Guild, Attorney
for Samuel E. Guild that paper drainage be provided for house
83 Suffolk Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Way Petition of Samuel A. Way to be paid
for land proposed to be taken from him to widen Fremont Avenue.
Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Bartlett Petition of Charles G. Bartlett
and others that Avenue Street may be straightened through
Frank's Island to Smith's Bridge. Referred to the Committee on
Streets.

Tickner Petition of Tickner and Child
and others that East Water Street may be extended to Broadway
Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Leavin Petition of Leavin Leavin that
a tree in the sidewalk at No 40 Summer Street may be removed
as the same being a nuisance. Referred to the Committee on
Internal Health.

Edwin Petition of J. S. Edwin and others
that the passageway from Pine Street to Harrison Avenue may
be lighted. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Edwards Petition of Edwin Edwards that
notice be given of his intention to erect buildings on Cedar
at that in the said city and in the opinion of the Board
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the

and street should be widened at the place described in the said 351.
notice, it is therefore hereby ordered, That due notice be given to the Sep. 1801
Sack, to the heirs of J. Cushing, and the heirs of New River, that
this Board intend to widen the said street mentioned, by taking
apart of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and
laying out the same as a public street, and that Monday, the
Fifteenth day of September instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned
at the time for hearing any objection which may be made ther-
to.

Agenda to the recommendation of the
Board of Engineers of the Fire Department Larkin Department
"Hartill" was discharged from the City of New York.

Petition of Rebecca L. Nichols for Nichols
abatement of tax upon real estate at N. 2. Court Street. Referred
to the Committee on the Assessors Department. Sent down for con-
currence. Sep. 19. Came up concurred.

Petition of Trustees of the Female Female
Medical College proposing to abandon to the City their building
in Springfield Street and to procure in exchange a new lot of
land for Hospital purposes near the City Hospital. Referred to
the Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 19.
came up concurred.

Petition of Paul D. Wallis that two Wallis.
lots of land on Broadway were forfeited to the City for breach of con-
ditions of sale may be conveyed to him. Referred to the Board
of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 19. Came up
concurred.

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Quimby
Let it be introduced, read a second time and referred to the Board of Land Commissioners, Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 19. Came up concurred.

Musical
Festival

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the appointment of a Joint Special Committee to confer with the School Committee for the preparation of a Musical Festival should such an affair be deemed expedient, was read a second time and passed with this amendment, at a cost and that the expense being to be charged to the appropriation for incidental expenses and miscellaneous claims, and Alderman Foster, Rich and Snow were appointed on said committee. Sent down for concurrence.

St.
Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade St. Paul between South Street and the water was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor September 16. 1861.

Streets
Commissioner
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair South Street between Causeway Street and the City line at the Warren Bridge, and Causeway Street between South Street and Fairchild Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous and which the owners or occupants

have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated
cost for three and a half dollars. Ordered that the ¹⁰Middlebury Railroad
Company be notified to repair it across of said ¹⁰North Street,
as they are required to keep in repair if the Superintendent of
Streets shall decide that it is necessary to change the course of
said Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep-
tember 16. 1861.

The order submitted at the last mee- Snelling
ting of the Board to pay Enoch H. Snelling eight hundred and
thirty seven dollars and seventy five cents for land taken from
on North Street, was read a Second time and passed. Approved
by the Mayor September 17. 1861.

The order submitted at the last mee- Sullivan
ting of the Board to pay John A. Sullivan seven hundred and
fifty dollars for his interest in land taken to widen North Street
from heirs of Isaac F. Rowe, was read a Second time and passed.
Approved by the Mayor Sep. 16. 1861.

Enrollment of Osmyn Brewster Brewster
and others Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be author-
ized to repair Chestnut Street between Albany Street and Hud-
son Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street,
as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections
on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to
close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in
accordance with the Ordinances of the City, and those which
are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous
and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair af-
ter due notice to that effect. Read twice and passed. Approved by
the Mayor September 16. 1861.

Ordered, That the Chief of

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City

Board

Police be directed to notify the abutters on Old Road between South Street and Abchurch Lane to lay their sidewalks with brick or flat stones within twenty days, and in default thereof, the same will be laid by the City of Boston at their cost.

Beach

Street

Ordered, That the Chief of Police

be directed to notify the abutters on Beach Street between Federal Street and Lincoln Street, who have plank sidewalks, to lay their sidewalks with brick or flat stones within ten days. And that in default thereof the same will be laid by the City of Boston at their cost.

Mr. Avery

Ordered, That the Chief of Police

be directed to notify A. M. Avery, to close an unlawful opening into Northampton Street in front of an estate owned by him, within ten days, and if not closed at the expiration of this period then the Chief of Police is further directed to cause the same to be closed.

Scotland

Ordered: That Robert F. Scotland

have permission to remove a wooden building through Malden and Tremont Streets to North Street. The removal to commence within five days and not to occupy more than six hours.

Suffolk

Railroad

On motion of Alderman Hatch

the Board took from the table the order of location in the Suffolk Railroad Company, and the question being in the passage of said order as recited page 445, notwithstanding the objection of His Honor the Mayor thereof, the subject was assigned for further consideration on Monday next.

A proposal was received and 555.

filed from the said Suffolk Railroad Company to construct only one of the turnouts allowed to them on Hanover Street should the order abovesaid be passed, in order to save inconvenience to the public travel. Feb. 9. 1861. Suffolk Railroad

Agreeable to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Michael Morgan was appointed a High-herald of coal within this city.

On petition of Horatio Williams for right to drain his estate on Old Jail Lands estate, the Committee on Sewers reported that no further action is required in the premises. Read and accepted. Williams

On petition of Michael Henley and her husband, Charles, laborers in Ward 12, for an opportunity to labor on the public works, the Committee on Purview reported that orders have passed for works in Ward 12 and that will be hereafter provided at such points as will promote the public interests. Read and accepted. Henley

The Committee on Paving, in consideration of the inefficiency of the present annual appropriation to meet the current expenses of the department, present the following Report. At the commencement of the financial year, the appropriations for the expenses of the city government were estimated and agreed to by the several committees, at the usual standard, according to the ordinary demands of the respective departments. The public mind was at that time agitated by the lowering aspect of our political horizon, threatening the disruption of our national government accompanied by all the horrors of civil war. Its effect was exhibited in our municipi- Paving appropriation

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pal affairs, by the general desire to limit and reduce the dis-
bursements of the City Government to the lowest amount possible.
The Committee on Appropriations (the several reports having
been recommended to them) voted to reduce the sum appro-
priated to the Sinking Department only thousand dollars, or
more than one quarter of the original estimate. This would ma-
terially impair its efficiency, as the past estimate was considera-
bly more than that of the previous year. Since the inauguration
of the war, and a more tranquil state of the public mind pre-
vailing, the necessity of doing what was practicable for the em-
ployment of the laboring classes by the city, was felt by the
Committee to be incumbent upon them. Petitions numerous
signed have been presented and referred to this Department for
filling and grading new streets. There are now on the files of
the Committee several applications for grading which might
be done profitably to the city, if the necessary appropriation
should be made to raise the amount to the average of past
years. There have also been other incidental expenses not esti-
mated in the appropriation. The large amounts for protection
of Lake Street Bridge, grading of Damen Street, East Division
and various operations at South Branch are chargeable to this
Department. Expenditures for grading while furnishing em-
ployment at a time when commercial business is so inactive
as to produce much distress and privation among those who
depend upon it, seems to support an not misapplied. The
inducement of land abutting upon newly graded streets to
build houses, thus enhancing the value of real estate, and
increasing the amount of taxable property. It is better to
distribute the funds in employment to the poor, than through the

medium of the public charities. The closing in of winter will 557
effectually stop all business of this department, and if there is 1891
an amount of labor is to be done, an increased appropriation
will be necessary. It is to be remembered that there will
be probably excessive privation among the poorer classes the com-
ing season. The industrial departments are continually assail-
ed by applicants for employment. Labor is cheap, and we have
could be more propitious than the present for doing work ultra-
laborious to the interest of the city. The Committee therefore deem
it expedient to recommend the passage of the following order.
In the Committee, George H. Permenter. Ordered: That the Com-
mittee on Finance be directed to provide for the addition of the
sum of Fifty thousand dollars to be appropriated for winter work
in the present financial year. Read once

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are authorized to cause the
cost of the building to be nearly equal to an expense not ex-
ceeding one thousand dollars; the same to be charged to the appro-
priation for Public Buildings. Read once.

The Committee on Public Police
Buildings who have in charge the construction of a new station
house for the Third District Police, beg leave to report: That they
have received proposals for erecting a Station House upon the site
located and purchased for the purpose and they find that upon
the lowest bids of responsible mechanics, a sum exceeding the
first appropriation by about five thousand dollars will be re-
quired to complete the building. This will make the entire cost
of the building a little more than sixteen thousand dollars.

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which the Committee deem an exceedingly moderate sum to be expended for a capacious and convenient Station-House, containing all the improvements which modern experience could suggest. They therefore commend the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee, Mr. Foster, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to bring, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of five thousand dollars the same to be added to the appropriation for the erection of a Station-House on Ivy Street. Read once.

Silver

That.
Read.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a portion of Silver Street should be opened, and in that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Samuel Scott. Bounded as follows, viz: Northwesterly by the northeasterly line of Silver Street, there measuring seventy five feet; Northwesterly to said street twenty feet; Southwesterly by the southeasterly line of said street seventy five feet; and Southwesterly by said street twenty feet: containing sixteen hundred and eighty square feet, more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said opening made by James Gluck, City Engineer, dated September 4th 1861, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjourn.

that the expense of opening the said Silver Street, as aforesaid, \$59.
will amount to eight hundred and eighty eight dollars: which
sum together with the amount of estimate of previous alterations
or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal
year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars: And once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Shawmut
Avenue should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary
to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said city
a parcel of land belonging to Samuel S. May, bounded as fol-
lows, viz: Southeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of
Shawmut Avenue, then measuring no hundred and fifty three
feet and 10; Northwardly by the present line of Shawmut
Avenue seventy feet and ³³/₁₀₀; and Northwardly to the same
seventy two feet: containing five hundred and four square feet
more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the in-
tention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the
purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto annexed,
It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be
and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public street
or way of the said city according to a plan of the said wid-
ening made by some State City Engineer, dated September 2^d 1861,
and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen: And
this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said
Shawmut Avenue, as aforesaid, will amount to one hundred
and sixty six ⁰⁰/₁₀₀ dollars: which sum together with the amount
of estimate of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street
during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of

Shawmut
Avenue
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560 five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Tuesday next (tomorrow) at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the tenth day of September, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

Aldermen Foster, Chairman, Eaton, and Aldermen Parmenter, Rich, Pray, Hatch, Gibson and Hanson.

Market

Notes

Pursuant to the report of the Committee on the Market the transfer of \$12.12 and \$12.12 from Thomas Hutchinson to Thomas L. Helen was approved by the Board.

School

Committee

Pursuant to agreement the Board

convened in Convention with the School Committee for the purpose of electing a member of said School Committee in place of Mr. Thomas Lawrence, resigned; and the Chair having appointed Aldermen Fay and Messrs. Simonds and Linné a Committee to receive, sit and count the votes for such office it appeared that George F. French was chosen a member of said School Committee for the remainder of this Municipal Year. The Convention having dissolved, the Board

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a special meeting of the 561.

Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall
on Saturday the fourteenth day of September, Anno Domini 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and Aldermen Rich, Hatch, Clark, Gibson, Im-
ry and Spinney.

Thirty five traverse jurors were drawn
for the Superior Court for criminal business.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
dermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the fifteenth day of September, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Thirty five traverse jurors were
drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Petition of Samuel Gibson

for a hack stand at 125 South Street. Referred to the Committee
on Finance.

Petition of W. J. Duckrell for

leave to erect a Tent on the Common for recruiting purposes. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Common &c.

Petition of M. Pimental

that Robin Street may be accepted and graded. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Petition of Horne Moore to
 be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in Essex
 Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Essex

Petition of Clement Hill and
 others that Essex Street from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue
 may be repaved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Conroy

Petition of Peter Conroy for compensa-
 tion for land taken on Bulfinch Street. Referred to the Committee
 on Streets.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor
 the following persons were appointed and confirmed as Police
 Officers of this city with all the powers of Constables except
 the power of serving and executing civil process, viz: William
 H. Falls, Nathaniel C. Lecker, John Hughes for Special Service.
 J. G. Gifford for Special Service in addition that Jeremiah Lacey
 for special service at East Boston.

Police

Police

Whereas Patrick Comerford

Principal

that

emerged.

has given notice to the Board of his intention to erect buildings
 on East Springfield Street, in the said city; and in the opinion
 of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants re-
 quire that the said street should be widened at the place de-
 scribed in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due
 notice be given to the said Comerford that the Board intend to
 widen the said street mentioned, by taking a part of the land
 now owned to be built upon as aforesaid, and erecting on the same
 a public street, and that Monday the twenty third day of
 September instant at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time to

raising any objections which may be made thereto.

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Metropolitan
Railroad

Notice was received from the Metropolitan Railroad Company that they accepted the location granted to said Company September 11, 1861. This notice was filed with the City Clerk on the tenth instant.

Petition of Henry Symmes for

Symmes

leave to move a wooden building from Macdonald Avenue to Madison Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Location, as on file of the City,

Metropolitan

Metropolitan Railroad was filed with this Board on the tenth of September 1861.

Metropolitan

Agreeably to notice Charles Nich-

Federal

ols and Gideon Beck appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Federal Street as proposed for a large & similar to those which upon said subject was recommended to the Committee on Street.

Street

Ordered: That the Committee on

Street

the Assessors' Department, report what should be paid to the estate of the late George E. Had, for his services as one of the Principal Assessors. Sent down for concurrence. Sep. 19. Came up concurred. Approved by the Board September 21, 1861.

The Board of Land Commis-

Evans

sioners respectfully represent that in accordance with an order passed by the City Council and approved by His Honor the Mayor March 1, 1861, they were authorized to take charge of that portion of the South Bay Estates that is embraced in the

South Bay

564 contract with William Evans, being date of August 9th 1859,
Sept. 10. 1861 and to see that the work was done in accordance with said
contract, the said Board having attended to the same, would
respectfully report: That the contract between William Evans and
the City of Boston to fill up the South Bay Territory, expired on
the first instant, and the work of filling is not completed, and
judging from the present rate of progress, it will not be, before
the close of the year. To the Commissioners Samuel Hatch, Chair-
man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Sept. 14.
Came up concurred.

Faneuil
Hall

The order submitted at the meet-
ing of the Board on the ninth instant to the Committee on
Public Buildings to repair the roof of Faneuil Hall at an ex-
pense not exceeding one thousand dollars was read a second
time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Sept. 14. Came up con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor. September 21. 1861

Police
Station House

The report and order submitted
at the meeting of the Board on the ninth instant to the Com-
missioners to procure a year of Mr. Howard Seiber to be added to
the appropriation for Police Station House No. 2, were read a second
time and passed. Yeas 23 Nays none. Clark, Allen, Munroe, Allen,
Furness, Rice, Gray, Weston, Rich, Spinnay and Wilson 12. Yes
none. Sent down for concurrence. October 2. Came up concurred.
Yeas 33 Nays none. Approved by the Mayor October 4. 1861

Duffey

Petition of Margaret Duffey to
be compensated for injuries sustained by an alleged defect in
Silver Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down

or concurrence. September 19. Came up concurred.

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The Committee on Public

City

Buildings, who have in charge the construction of the City Hospital, beg leave to report: And in commencing the execution of the order of the Council of the Hospital they have placed the work of laying pipes, and paper to place the work of laying the stone walls for the foundations, under contract; but although the Ordinances require that all undertakings of such magnitude shall be opened to private competition and awarded to the person making the most advantageous bids, the Committee deem it more desirable at the present time to pursue a different course, with reference to the excavations. It is well known that hundreds of laboring men are now destitute of employment, and with their families must soon become a public charge, unless their wants are met by private charity or a renewed demand for labor. To meet precisely such a case it has been the practice of municipal corporations to circulate extensive public works which would otherwise be left for future years to construct, and it seems fortunate that an opportunity is now given to afford some relief to the unemployed without receding to any such expedient. In these excavations for the New Hospital a considerable number of men can find work in several weeks, and under a confident Superintendent, the result of their labors would doubtless be as satisfactory as if the work were entrusted to private contractors. The Committee are also confident that at the reduced rates of compensation for which laborers will gladly labor for themselves, the City will effect quite a saving in expenses over the amounts which would be expended in the usual course. They therefore recom-

566. amend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee on Public Buildings, in the construction of the Free City Hospital, be authorized to make such portions of the digging and excavation as they may deem expedient to be done by the day, instead of by contract, and to employ a suitable Superintendent to oversee the work. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Sept^r 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Board September 21. 1861.

Union Hall

Sept. 10. 1861

Source

On motion of Alderman Amos

the Board took from the table the report and orders in favor of rendering assistance to the Union Hall Association & others, and the question being voted upon the adoption of the amendments proposed at A and at B / see page 130 / they were adopted. The question then recurring on the passage of said order a division of the question was called, and thereupon the order to pay the Union Hall Association six hundred dollars was laid upon the table. The question then being on the passage of the second order, to wit: to pay the Union Hall Association six hundred dollars and that the same be charged to the appropriation for "Relief relief" and the "has and has been" remained motion they were taken as follows: Aldermen Snow, Hanson, Farmer, Rice, Burr, Weston and Janner, 7. Aldermen Clark, Gibson, Hatch, Rich and Brown, 5. So said order was adopted. Alderman Rice then moved to reconsider the foregoing vote, which motion prevailed. Alderman Hatch then moved to lay the order on the table, and the "has and has been" being demanded motion they were taken as follows: Aldermen Clark, Gibson and Hatch, 3. Aye. Aldermen Amos, Hanson

Farmer, Price, Ray, Preston, Rich, Spinney, Wilson 9. It said mo: 567.

lien to law on the table were lost. The question then recurring on the passage of said order. Alderman Rich moved to amend the same by inserting at C. under the direction of the Joint Special Committee on Public Works, and at D. provided that the same be extended to the families of soldiers belonging to the city of Boston which amendments were adopted, and the said order as amended was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion of Alderman Hatch

the Board took from the table the order granting an extension of location to the Suffolk Railroad Company, and the question being on the passage of the order of location as recorded page 1493, notwithstanding the Mayor's objections thereto, the Yeas and Nays were again taken and were taken as follows: Yeas Aldermen Brewster, Clark, Gibson, Farmer, Price, Preston, Spinney, 7. Nays Aldermen Brewster, Hatch, Ray, Rich and Wilson 5. Two thirds of the Board not having voted in the affirmative the order was not passed.

The order submitted to the Board

on the ninth instant to widen Monument Avenue by taking land of Samuel N. Way, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 18. 1861.

The order submitted to the Board

on the ninth instant to extend Silver Street by taking land of Samuel Leeds was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 18. 1861.

Ordered: That the County Treas-

urer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the Proprietors of the Social Lane Library for the County of Suffolk the sum of one

Suffolk

Rail Road

Way

Monument

Leeds

Silver Street

Social Lane

Library

368. That and article pursuant to the provisions of the Statutes of
Ch. 10. 1861. 1859 Chap. 172. and that the same be changed to the appropria-
tion in the County of Suffolk. read twice and passed. Follow-
ed by the Ayea Sep. 18. 1861.

School

A message was received from the
Committee School Committee stating that a vacancy exists in that body
caused by the resignation of George A. Lyman of Ward 8; and
that a convention of said Committee with this Board is propos-
ed for Tuesday the 24th instant at four o'clock P.M. due notice
to be given according to law. Read and thereupon ordered that
a message be sent to the School Committee stating that this Board
concurs in said proposition.

Suffolk

Board

Alderman Parmenter from the
Committee on Finance submitted a location for the Suffolk Rail-
road Company within this city in a new street, as follows: To be
added to the right of way granted to the Suffolk
Railroad Company to lay down tracks in the streets of the city
of Boston, the said company shall have the right to
construct their tracks now laid down at the corner of Wash-
ington and Boylston Streets with the track of the Metropolitan
Railroad in said Boylston Street with the right to enter upon
and use the tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad in Corn-
hill Washington, Boylston and Sumner Streets and the open
space lying south of City Building, agreeably to the
provisions of the several sections of the 17th Chapter of the Acts
of the General Court of Massachusetts, passed April 10, 1861, con-
cerning the Suffolk Railroad Company. And the said Board
to construct, maintain, and use a curve track, commencing
at near the corner of Sumner and West Streets to connect with

their present track in Hanover Street, to a point where the same
will connect with their track in said Fleet Street, nearly op-
posite Iron Street. And the further right to construct, maintain,
and use a turnout track in Hanover Street, at or near the head
of Iron Street. The length and manner of constructing the
crossing turnout to be determined by the Committee on Paving
and Superintendent of Streets. The right to run the cars on the
tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in certain, more especially
between, and between Fleet Street, and the open space in front
of Carey's Building, and to lay down tracks in Fleet Street,
and construct a turnout in Hanover Street, as before men-
tioned, is granted under the express proviso and condition
that the said Suffolk Railroad Company shall run no cars,
nor allow any cars to be run, from without the limits of the city
on the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in Hanover Street,
between, and between Fleet Street, and the number of cars that shall
be allowed to run on the tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad
shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Al-
dermen for the time being. Also under the further express proviso
and condition that the said Suffolk Railroad Company shall
make a correct return to the Board of Aldermen of the num-
ber of cars used and run upon any of the tracks of the said
Metropolitan Railroad, from without the city of Boston; and if any
cars run in connection with cars from without the city for the
purpose of receiving passengers from or conveying passengers
to cars from without the city of Boston, at the Winnisimmet
River Company's landing at the foot of Hanover Street, and then
pass into the city, receiving or taking successive air-mechanics, ending

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570 with the months of December and June in each year, the sum
of fifteen dollars for each car as is here mentioned shall be the
said sum. And the said railroad within ten days from the date
said return was due, provided that said company shall
secure no right or privilege granted to it by the payment
of said sum. Also under the further express proviso and con-
dition that said Fifth National company shall at all
times when the rails are laid down keep in good order and
complete repair the whole of the roadway or carlway of the
streets in which the tracks are located by this order. At this
company shall to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of
Streets, and whenever the Board of Aldermen shall from
time to time, determine and order that any of the said rails
through and in which the tracks are located, be the same and
under the authority of the order, shall be repaired with and
that said rails to be the best of steel material, the whole ex-
pense of such repairs shall be paid by the said Fifth
National company, the work to be done by the Superintendent
of Streets, under the authority of the Board of Aldermen. Also
under the further express proviso and condition, that in the con-
struction of the said tracks and turnouts, pavement of such
material and dimensions as the Superintendent of Streets shall
direct, shall be laid down inside and outside of each rail. Also
under the further express proviso and condition, that the whole
work of laying down the track granted by this order shall be
done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Committee
on Paving and the Superintendent of Streets. Also that the form
of rail to be used shall be satisfactory to the Committee on Paving
and Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by

them. The order of the further express provision is that 571
said Suffolk Railroad Company shall be subject to such restric- Sep. 16. 1861
tions as to the running of the cars upon their tracks as the Board
of Aldermen from time to time shall decide that the public good
shall require. Also under the further express proviso and con-
dition, that such a number of cars of other horse railroad
companies as are run exclusively within the limits of the city,
as the Board of Aldermen shall from time to time determine
and order, may be run over the tracks of the said Suffolk Rail-
road Company in the streets of the city, and on the
streets, and that if the compensation to be paid to said Suffolk
Railroad Company by the city for the use of the tracks, in run-
ning their cars over said tracks of the Suffolk Railroad Compa-
ny, cannot be mutually agreed upon in consideration it to
be paid shall be determined by the Board of Aldermen for the
time being, or by commissioners which may be appointed by
the Supreme Judicial Court, etc., under the further express pro-
viso and condition, to the location of tracks and turnouts, grant-
ed under the authority of this order, that said Suffolk Railroad
Company shall accept this said order of location and agree to
comply with its several provisions and conditions in writing
within twenty days of the date of its passage and its said
acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk; otherwise it
shall be null and void. The roadway or cartway mentioned in
this order is to include the whole space between the streets
supporting the abutments on both sides of the track. And twice
and ordered to be printed and assented to in resolution in
Assembly next. (See City Document No. 55)

The report and order from the Committee on Sewing submitted to the Board on the ninth instant in favor of receiving a Loan of Fifty Thousand Dollars to be added to the appropriation for Sewing was read a second time and was recommended to the Committee on Sewing.

Chipman
Hobbs & P

A petition of George W. Chipman and others Streetkeepers in Sumner Street in favor of receiving back for the Spring Season compensation on that street was received and laid on the table.

Third
Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Third Street between A. & B Streets and in rear, caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to George Jones, Saml. A. Williams, and G. W. Sleep which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling the same with good earth, earth or gravel or by draining it at the expense of said parties who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Hamilton

On petition of Seth Hamilton and others that said Third Street between A. & B Streets may be accepted and so named, the Committee on Sewing reported that said petition be referred to the Committee on Streets. Said, accepted and referred accordingly.

Schier

On petition of William Jones that damages occasioned by a defective drain in Washington Street near Cornhill may be remedied, the Committee on Sewing

reported that the cause of complaint having been removed 53.
no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted. Sep. 10. 1861.

Agreeably to the report of the Anderson
Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Rogers Anderson
to give Magical Entertainments at Tivoli Temple.

Agreeably to the report of the Auctioneer
Committee on Licenses Cyrus L. Harris was appointed an Auctioneer
at N^o 18 Central Wharf.

On petition of Charles E. Guild, Guild
Charles E. Guild, that a license may be granted to
house N^o 83 Suffolk Street, the Committee on Taxes reported that
the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the Superin- Green
tendent of Streets be authorized to repair Green Street between Street
the street and Howard street and make necessary
on the grade of said street, as he shall deem necessary, and
under the such provision on the line of said street as he may
deem necessary, and to cause all openings into said street, which
are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the
city; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable
to become dangerous, and which he may deem it expedient
may be used to repair, at a cost not to exceed the sum of
one hundred dollars. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be
directed to notify the abutters on said Green Street, to furnish
new edging to support the sidewalk the present one being
deemed insufficient for the purpose, and in default thereof, the

574. Some will be furnished to the City at their cost. Read once.

10.1861.

Bennington
Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Bennington Street, at Fifth Street, in a width of 12 feet, and a depth of 12 feet. Estimated cost six hundred dollars. Read once.

May

Ordered: That there be paid to Samuel A. May the sum of four hundred and sixty five and 3/4 dollars, or until taken by order of the Board of Finance and or removed by the City, having also his giving to the City a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Hamburg

Ordered: That Hamburg Street be accepted and dedicated as a public highway, the abutters having submitted an ordinance for that purpose. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to make Hamburg Street, and upon the petition of the abutters, be willing to pay the City for the edgestone to be set in front of their respective estates. Read once.

Crossing
Line

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to lay out and dedicate the crossing of the intersection of the most important thoroughfare, and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for paving &c. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 373.

Aldermen of the City of Boston held City Hall on Monday the
twenty third day of September. Anno Domini 1861.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Fairbanks.

Thirty two harness fines drawn fines

for the Superior Court / First Session.

Thirty one harness fines drawn fines

for the Superior Court / Second Session.

Petition of Moses Colby to be in Colby

demnified for damages sustained from imperfect drainage in
Broadway near C. Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of John C. McCuneand McCuneand

and others that a sewer be laid on N. Street from Seventh to M.
Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of Henry Nichols & Nichols

others that a Sewer be laid in South Street from K. to J. Streets. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of William W. Draper Draper

to be appointed a local Engineer in this City. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Licenses.

Petition of Francis Pendergast Pendergast

for appointment as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on
Licenses.

Petition of H. Taylor & others Taylor

for the repayment of alleged illegal wagon fees collected of
them by the City. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

May 23, 1861. Petition of J. R. Slack for permission to remove a certain wooden building from Church Street through Bennington Street to Howe Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Bennington

Petition of Thomas Gardner and others that the grade of Bennington Street (highway) may be raised. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Bennington
Street.

A Proposal from the State Commissioners on Public Lands to surrender to the City the western half of Bennington Street to be used only as a public street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Bennington

Petition of Thomas Gardner and others that Bennington Street may be repaired from Howe to Union Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Fieldhouse

Petition of Thomas Fieldhouse & others that portion of Bennington Street and Church Street may be graded to the level of Bennington Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Special

Law

On nomination by the Mayor John Quinn and John Vermilyea were appointed Special Police Officers for the Common & Public Garden.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor James Kelly and Charles L. Kane were appointed Special Police Officers of this City with all the powers of Constables except the power of serving and executing civil process. Such officers are appointed for special service on the Public Garden.

On nomination by the Mayor 577

The following named persons were appointed and confirmed
as assessors for this City: Oliver Hudson, John and J. Drake,
Francis W. Bulfinch, Silas Carlton, Serastus Clapp, Samuel Cook, Constable
Joseph L. Coburn, Chase Cole, Rufus F. Cook, Daniel B. Curtis, James
C. Crane, George B. Dexter, James M. Dorr, John G. Dunbar, Abner
D. Ely, Michael Gorman, John H. Hall, William H. Hall,
John A. Ham, John C. Harrington, Richard Holmes, John H. Jones,
John W. Jones, Caleb Howe, Luther Hutchins, Frederic P. Ingalls, William A.
Jones, William L. Jones, John A. Jones, John A. Jones, Thomas
Jones, William L. Jones, William A. Jones, James Jones, James
Jones, John A. Jones, John A. Jones, James L. Jones,
Daniel C. Page, John C. Patten, David Patterson, Nathaniel
Patterson, James P. Patterson, James P. Patterson, James P.
Patterson, Edward G. Richardson, John C. Robinson, Charles Smith, Thomas
M. Smith, John Southworth, Oliver H. Spurr, Henry C. Thacker, Henry
Thacker, Jacob C. Thacker, Guy C. Underwood, Samuel F. Vane, William
Vane,

Ordered: That due notice be
given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock
P.M. take into consideration the petition of the
Common Sewer in Sumner Street between Belmont Square and
Water Street, and granting the petition, and
may enter their particular drains into such Common Sewer,
or into any more remote means, shall receive any benefit
thereby: and persons making objections thereto, will then and
there be heard.

Ordered, That due notice be given
that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

Sumner
Street

Sumner
Street

to be recorded on the pay rolls would complicate the accounts and 579
increase the labor to such a degree as to render a plan of this Sept. 25, 1861
kind inexpedient, if not impracticable. Congress however at its
last session, passed an Act authorizing a system of allotment
similar to that in the Naval Service, but, as this Act has not yet
been put into operation the effect must be determined hereafter.
In the meantime having been the medium of receiving and
distributing over nine thousand dollars from one Regiment (the
Eleventh Reg. Mass. Volunteers) within the last two weeks, I have
been requested, by many officers in the same and particularly
only by the United States Sanitary Commissioner, to furnish a
statement of my proceedings that the same or some modification
may be recommended for adoption throughout the Army of the
Federal Government. The allotment system, if properly car-
ried out will be productive of great good, but I apprehend that
it will not supersede the necessity of other efforts to induce the
volunteers to send home a portion of their pay, either to their
families or to be deposited in the Savings Bank for their own
benefit. I therefore, I suppose, suggested to the War Council &
now to request a printed receipt and suggestion, and
such suggestions derived from your own experience, to be sent on
to the Chaplain of a Regiment, or any other person who may be
designated or appointed to perform the office of receiving and
distributing these funds. Capt. M. H. Smith, Major, 1st Reg. Mass.
the Major General: That he has, he has requested to
prepare and have printed such receipts and suggestions for a
plan of receiving and distributing such portions of the pay of
the Massachusetts Volunteers during the present war, as they may
choose to send to their respective homes. I have been for

380. *Common Council* September 27. *Came up concurred. Approved by the*
Sep. 23. 1861. Mayor September 28. 1861.

Sup

June

Ordered: That one member of the
Common Council from each Ward with such as the Board of
Aldermen may join be a Committee to see what action may
be taken for establishing Day and Night Houses in each Ward
of the city or distribution among the poor of the said the coming
Winter. Read in Common Council and those named of Ward 1.
Langdon of Ward 2. Tucker of Ward 3. Wickett of Ward 4. Gray of Ward
5. Davis of Ward 6. May of Ward 7. Sage of Ward 8. Clark of Ward 9.
Huntley of Ward 10. Eaton of Ward 11 and Wilson of Ward 12 were ap-
pointed on said Committee. *Came up for concurrence. Read and*
concurred and Aldermen Weston, Vick, Butler, Wilson, Clark, Eaton
and Gray were joined. Approved by the Mayor, September 25. 1861.

Relief
Committee

The Soldiers Relief Committee re-
ported that during the month of August they had expended
in relief to the families of Soldiers absent at the seat of war from
this State the sum of seven thousand six hundred and ninety
one dollars. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed
on file.

Hamburg
Steel

The orders submitted at the last
meeting of the Board for the acceptance and the grade of Ham-
burg Steel and for the payment of the order for said Steel were
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, 23. 1861.

Crossing
Stones

The order submitted at the last meet-
ing of the Board to authorize the transportation of the
down crossing stones of North River Stone, in the important ther-

minutes of this City, was read a second time and passed. 581.

Approved by the Mayor Feb. 25. 1861.

Feb. 23. 1861.

The order submitted at the

Nov.

last meeting of the Board to pay Samuel A. Burr an amount of
and sixty six ¹⁰/₁₀₀ dollars for land taken on ground owned
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sep.
25. 1861.

The order submitted at the

Termination

last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to
grade Bennington Street at Tenth Street, was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor September 25. 1861.

Street.

The order submitted at the

Green

last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets
to repave Green Street between Pitts Street and Hamilton Street
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
September 25. 1861.

The Committee on Streets to

Home

whom was referred the petition of Henry Jones and others
for the opening of Jones Street from E. to W. Street, reported that
no further action thereon is required. Read and accepted.

Street

Resolutions presented to an order

Before

of this Board, passed on the thirtieth day of May last in
reference has been ordered in favor of the cost of which
was five hundred thirty seven ³⁸/₁₀₀ dollars to be charged to persons
benefitted by the same, according to law it is therefore ordered
that the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed
being benefited as aforesaid be and they hereby be charged

Street

582 and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective
Ap. 23, 1851 names as their proportional part of the expense of the abate-
ment of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certi-
fied and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their
tenants or lessees.

Whereas pursuant to an order
of this Board, passed on the twenty ninth day of April last
a nuisance has been abated in Red and King Streets, the
cost of which was twenty six ⁶⁰/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons
benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered,
That the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed
being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged
and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names,
as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said
nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice
thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Porter
Street

Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists in land corner of Porter and Indiana
Streets caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging
to J. W. Nichols which is dangerous to the health of the inhabi-
tants, it is hereby Ordered that the Superintendent of Health
be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be
abated by constructing a good and sufficient drain at the
expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him
has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Bedford
Street

Alderman Hatch submit-
ted to the Board the following order. Ordered: That the Com-
mittee on Sewing be and they hereby are authorized to pay

Bedford Street from Chauncy Street to Kingston Street, if in their 583
inducement excellent and the same be desired to be approved Sep. 2. 1801
tion for Paving. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Petition of Martin Eastburn Eastburn.
and other citizens of the City and of E. S. Town and others
that the Board would adopt measure for the proper observance of the approaching National Fast Day especially on the Signifi-
cance of Places of Public Amusement. Read and thereupon ordered:
That on Thursday the twenty sixth instant the day appointed by
the President of the United States for a National Fast the City
shall be closed, and all the public offices. And that the proprie-
tors of places of Public Amusement be requested to keep their
places closed on that day and evening.

On motion of Alderman Alderman
Spinney the Board took from the table the nominations made on the second instant for additional members of the Fire
Department and the question being on the confirmation of
said members. Alderman Spinney moved to lay the nomina-
tion of Amos Spaulding upon the table which motion prevailed.
and the question then recurring upon the confirmation of the
remaining members they were rejected by the Board. Alder-
man Spinney gave notice that on Monday next he would move
for a reconsideration of said vote.

The Common Council having
again non-concurred with this Board in its vote of May 26. On
Section 35 of the Statute Book, said action came up in concurren-
ce, and execution, on motion of Alderman Hatch the subject was
laid on the table.

Feb 22, 1861
North
Railroad

On motion of Alderman Hatch
the subject of the location of the Suffolk Railroad which was
originally assigned for this day was postponed to Monday next
at five o'clock, P.M.

Washington
Street
sidewalks

Ordered: That the following
amounts be collected from those persons who have neglected to
move their granite sidewalks on Washington Street, said work
having been done by the city at their expense - Elias Cordura nine
dollars and eight cents - Ann S. Brown thirty three dollars
and twenty cents - Francis E. Hayes twenty six dollars and eighty
cents - Boylston heirs sixteen dollars.

Deluce.

On petition of James Deluce
for abatement of assessment for construction of a sewer in Second
Street, the Committee on Sewers reported leave to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

Curtis

On petition of Franklin Curtis
and others that a sewer may be constructed in May Street to
carry off the surface water, the Committee on Sewers reported that
as the subject of complaint has been remedied, no further action is
required thereon. Read and accepted.

Wheeler

On petition of John A. Wheeler for
abatement of assessment for a sewer in Belmont Street, the Com-
mittee on Sewers reported that the petitioners have leave to with-
draw. Read and accepted.

Wheeler

On petition of Augusta S. Wheeler
for abatement of the assessment for construction of a sewer in
Allen Street, the Committee on Sewers reported leave to withdraw.
Read and accepted.

On motion of Alderman May 583.

The Board reconsidered the vote whereby at the last meeting a license was granted to Professor Anderson to give Musical entertainments at the Tremont Temple - and the question being on the acceptance of said report, it was recommended to the Committee on Licenses - who subsequently reported that the usual license be granted to Professor Anderson for the purpose stated on his paying the sum of fifty dollars. Read and accepted.

Sep. 23/861.
Anderson

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, a license in the Boston Academy of Music was granted to Thomas Barry for the ensuing Dramatic Season.

Academy
of
Music.

On the petition of Ann A. Coleman man to be paid for nine feet of land alleged to have been taken to widen South Street, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners had been paid for all the land taken from her estate & that there was no error in the survey of the same. Read and accepted.

Coleman.

On the petition of A. Partridge & co and others that Washington Street may be widened at the corner of Milk Street, the Committee on Streets reported that under existing circumstances it is inexpedient to widen the street at present. Read and accepted.

Partridge

On petition of W. J. Duckrell for leave to erect a tent on the Common for recruiting purposes, the Committee on the Common reported that the petitioners were leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Duckrell

Sept. 22. 1881.

Vanner

Ordered: That there be paid to

James Vanner the sum of five hundred dollars, for damages occasioned by the taking of land from the estate of Thomas Thompson to widen North Street upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge from damages and all other expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for widening North Street. Read once.

rail

Ordered: That the Commissioners

of the rail be and they are hereby authorized to make such repairs on the County rail as they may deem expedient providing the cost of the same does not exceed the sum of Four Thousand Dollars; which sum together with all other expenditures on said building the present year does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Parker

Vanner

Ordered: That the assessments

on the estate of John Parker and Jacob Vanner amounting to fifty three dollars and sixteen cents for their proportion of the cost of constructing the common sewer in North Street be and the same be hereby ordered for the reason that the same are a private sewer in a street owned by said parties occurring off the driveway near the sewer in North Street. Read once.

Adjourned to Tuesday next tomorrow at ten o'clock A.M.

of Aldermen of the city of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday
the fourth day of September 1881

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Clark, New-
man, Preston, and Rice.

On nomination by the Mayor conducted

Albert G. Laues, Edward J. Jones, George A. Curtis, Merrill J. Murray,
the Mayor, and Samuel E. Spear were appointed
as Constables of this city.

Agreeing to assignment the

ward assembled in convention with the School committee
on the subject of raising the necessary amount for the
wages of the school committee and the school committee
and the voters having been collected and counted it ap-
peared that the whole number was fifty one, all of which
were in favor of the school committee and the school
committee for the year 1881-1882.

The Convention having then dis-

posed this Board

Adopted by the Board at the City Hall

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of New York held at the City Hall on Monday the thirteenth day of September, 1801.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

was

Thirty on Traverse Jurors drawn for the Superior Court for Criminal business.

Draw

Petition of Elijah C. Drew & others that Crocker Street may be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Highways.

Should

Petition of West J. Gould that he may be compensated for damages sustained by him and others from the widening of Duane Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Stoney.

Petition of L. H. Biancy and others in aid of the petition of J. H. Brantley and others for the widening of the line of Saratoga Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Considered

On nomination by the Mayor, John S. Shaw, David H. L. L. and John Williams were appointed and confirmed as Constables of this City.

Special

was

On nomination by the Mayor, John S. Shaw and David H. L. L. were appointed a Special Police Officer at Union Street and Prince Streets.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, John S. Shaw and John Williams were appointed and confirmed

as the Office for this city with all the power of construction of 584.
of the power of engineering and construction and power.

1881

Agreeable to the recommendation

Fire

of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the following

Department

ing discharges from the Department were approved by this Board.

Discharges

Engine No. 1. George C. Swiss. Hose No. 1. Frank B. Quen, William H.
Hackett. Hose No. 2. L. C. Tucker, Hose No. 3. Edwin T. Smith, Hose
and Ladder No. 4. David A. Smith, Hose and Ladder No. 5. William
T. Lane, Robert A. Kicker.

Agreeable to the nomination of

Fire

the Board, John Ash and Benjamin Thomas were appointed

Department

members of Engine Company No. 1. Henry H. Brown to Engine

No. 2. and William T. Graves to Hose Co. 4. also George A. Baker to Hook

and Ladder Co. No. 1. Austin Harding to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2.

Benjamin C. Smith, Hose and Ladder Co. No. 3. Levi H. Big-

gum, Hose and Ladder Co. No. 3. Leander Blackpole

to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3. Leander Blackpole

to Hook and Ladder Co. No. 3. William Parker Hose Company No. 7.

Ordered: That due notice be

Seventh

given that this Board will, on Monday next at ten o'clock,

Street

bring into consideration the expediency of constructing a

common sewer in Seventh Street between N. and M. Streets and

also into consideration the expediency of constructing a

common sewer in Seventh Street between N. and M. Streets and

also into consideration the expediency of constructing a

common sewer in Seventh Street between N. and M. Streets and

No person appearing to object

1. 1. 1861. to the proposed construction of a sewer in Summer Street between
Summer Belmont Square and Webster Street said subject was recom-
Street mitted to the Committee on Sewers.

South

to the proposed construction of a sewer in South Street between
I and K streets said subject was recommended to the Committee
on Sewers.

Nichols

Petition of William W. Nichols &
others that the vacant land on Rochester Street South Street
may be laid out as a public square. Referred to the Board
of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence October 2^d
came up concurred.

Home for

aged men

Petition of Home for Aged Men for
acquisition of land on South Street. Referred to the
Committee on the Board of Commissioners. Sent down for concu-
rence. Oct. 3^d came up concurred.

Musical

festivals

Ordered: That the amount of
the festival income of the Musical Festival Fund, which
has been received and charged to no appropriation or
Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Read twice
and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor October 11, 1861.

Bonds

cancelled

Ordered: That the Treasurer be
and he is hereby authorized to cancel the Bonds numbered
"Nineteen hundred and thirty two", "Nineteen hundred and thirty
five", and "Nineteen hundred and thirty six" which were given
for land on Tremont Street, for non-compliance with the con-

otions as set forth in said bonds. Read twice and passed, 591.
Sent down for concurrence. October 3^d Town appeared. Approved
by the Mayor October 4, 1861.

Ordered: That the Joint Special Committee on the reception of the returning Massachusetts soldiers
not appointed since 1861 be and they be authorized to provide
such refreshments as they may deem expedient for the soldiers
and other State Troopers passing through this city
to the seat of War and that the expense of the same be charged
to the appropriation for the Military Service. Read twice and passed.
Sent down for concurrence. October 10th Town appeared. Approved
by the Mayor October 11, 1861.

Ordered: That the following bills
for materials and labor furnished to persons connected with
or indirectly with the City Government, be paid provided they
are approved, audited and allowed in the usual manner: Geo.
Therrell eighty six dollars and fifty six cents, eighteen dollars
and ninety eight cents, Julian Adams and eighty three cents.
J. Burn Ten one hundred eighty six dollars and eighty eight
cent, ninety six dollars and forty two cents. G. W. Sprague, nine
hundred sixty five dollars and thirty six cents, one hundred
and fifty one dollar and seventy eight cents, and ninety three
dollars and fifteen cents. L. Chamberlin forty seven dollars and eighty
six cents and thirty nine dollars and forty two cents. J. A. Clark
three hundred and three dollars and eighteen cents. W. A. Clark
seven hundred and thirty two dollars and sixty cents. William
Black eight hundred and eighty two dollars and sixty cents.
Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 10th
conferred. Approved by the Mayor October 4, 1861.

Sept. 30. 1861. To which was referred the petition of the Union Hall & Union Fair Association for assistance made to them to the families of volunteers, they have to report: that to comply with the petition would place the city in the position of awarding money voluntarily contributed for the purpose of its use for the benefit of soldiers' families, and the committee were at a loss to know in what respect the Association petitioning would be more entitled to have its charities reimbursed by the city, than many other voluntary bodies which have expended large amounts for the equipment and sustenance of volunteers and their dependants. They therefore would recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. In the Committee Thomas P. Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence Oct. 2. Came up concurred.

Natural
History
Society

Library to which was referred the petition of the Natural History Society to have to deposit their specimens in the Public Library building, their cabinet and library respectively. Report: that since the presentation of said petition said Society has obtained the use of a commodious building in Bulwark Street and have removed their cabinet and library thence, and that therefore no further action is required on the part of the city. In the Committee J. L. Miller Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 3^d Came up concurred.

Musical
Festival

given by the children of the public schools at the Music Hall in honor of Prince Napoleon and the Princess Alice, be

594. shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street,
Sep. 30, 1861. which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of
the city, and those which are so much out of repair as to
be liable to become dangerous, and which their owners or oc-
cupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect.
Estimated cost six hundred dollars. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor Oct. 2, 1861.

tail

The order submitted to the
Board on the 25th instant for the Committee on the Tail
to make such repairs thereon as they may deem expedient
at an expense not exceeding ten thousand dollars, was read
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 30,
1861.

South
Avenue.

The Joint Special Committee
to whom was referred the subject of constructing a new street
to South Boston, submit the following Report. The Committee have
given to this subject an unusual amount of investigation,
on account of the importance of the subject, the number and
respectability of the petitioners, and the favorable recom-
mendations of the Committees of former City Councils. The further
we have proceeded in our investigation the more have we
been satisfied that the construction of a direct avenue from
some central portion of the city to so extensive a territory as
the South Boston peninsula, will be of great pecuniary ben-
efit to the city, and that the public opinion demands it as a
matter of compulsion. Being satisfied that, from the necessities of the
case, such an avenue must eventually be built by the city,
and that the sooner it is built the more benefit will the city
derive therefrom, we, the Joint Committee, have advised the

since in recommending the immediate commencement of the
work from a consideration which will be fully appreciated by the City Government and by the citizens at large. This is, that the
construction of this work will give employment to
and relief to thousands of laborers in the City who will otherwise
suffer from extreme destitution through the coming winter. There
is no other public work except mending streets, upon which labor
can be employed, and we are of the opinion that it is the imper-
ative duty of the City Government to do something for the relief
of those who must be supported as paupers if judicial aid is not
given now. We do not believe that it is wise or prudent for the
City Government to remain indifferent and inactive, while
every one can see that the want of work will drive thous-
ands to the almshouse during the approaching winter. The City
is bound by law to provide for the support of the poor within its
limits and we believe it is much more prudent, and that we
shall best fulfil the duty of a government, by anticipating and
preventing poverty and suffering, and by keeping honest and
industrious workers from the almshouse. Prompt and energetic mea-
sures in such times as these are the only prudent ones. Although
we place this subject first, because it should be first at this
emergency in the minds of every citizen, we are aware that this
of itself would not be a sufficient cause for the particular work
we recommend. We therefore proceed to state the reasons which seem
to make the proposed avenue a matter of public convenience and
necessity, and to justify a much more expenditure even than
will be required, and under the present circumstances we can-
not but deem it fortunate that there is a great public enterprise
contemplated to be commenced which will furnish the needed employ-

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ment and at the same time is a judicious expenditure to the
city. That the proposed avenue is a matter of public convenience
and necessity, and a proper enterprise to be undertaken, we think
is evident from the following reasons: First. The public convenience
and necessities of South Boston, (comprising a population of about
thirty thousand in number,) require a new and more direct
avenue to the centre of the city. Second. An examination of the
road of the city shows that South Boston has received a singu-
larly small and disproportionate share of the money expend-
ed for highways and streets. Third. This great public improvement
will give an immediate and positive value to the land owned
by the city at South Boston, much larger than the amount of
costs required. Fourth. The construction of this avenue will be
of a great and permanent benefit to the Harbor of Boston. Fifth.
It will add immense value to the taxable property of the city,
by developing a valuable tract of land of over a mile in ex-
tent, and changing it to a new and valuable property. Sixth. It
will bring the city land three quarters of a mile nearer to the
city Hall. Seventh. By thus giving direct communication, it
will give the healthy and desirable building sites, which are
so much needed at this time to check the constant and danger-
ous drain upon our tax-paying population, which is so injurious
to us, and is beneficial to the suburban towns in the vicinity of
Boston. Eighth. The improvement will enhance the valuation
of the city and diminish largely the pro rata tax on property.+++
Notwithstanding these facts, the access to the neighboring towns
has for some time been better and more convenient than that
to South Boston and as a natural consequence and has depre-
ciated in value at South Boston, and can be brought to a far more

than is paid for land in neighboring towns twice the distance 59,
from State Street. A substantial avenue from Boston to the beauti-
ful lands at South Boston Point, like the one from Roxbury to
Longwood, would largely increase the demand for residences
and have a tendency to cover much of the unoccupied land-
ry there with buildings, which would very largely add to the
present valuation. One of the petitions presented to your commit-
tee contains the names of citizens whose aggregate real estate
ten millions of dollars, and it was testified by some of its signers
that one of their objects was to represent to the city, that in their
view, the construction of this avenue would enhance the value
of the city as to diminish the rate of taxation by increasing
the population and adding to the property of the city. In conclusion,
your Committee would say that the principal expense of con-
structing this avenue will be in labor, and that in their judge-
ment it is best that no one should be employed who was not
a resident in Boston in May last. We do not desire to bring la-
bors into the city who are chargeable to other cities or towns, nor
do we wish to place this work in the hands of contractors whose
only object is to get the work done in the cheapest manner, and
pay in rates or otherwise as they might choose. We think it is
better that the work should be done under the direction of our
own officers, and with the supervision of a committee of the
city Government, and that such arrangement should be made
that the relief should be given to the laboring classes in every
ward in the city, by dividing and apportioning the work, so
all the members of the city Government could be consulted,
and be able to give relief to those whom they know to be de-
stressing, and in necessity. Your Committee have caused a rough ex-

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9th Nov. 1801. Examination of the billow to be made by the city engineers, pursuant
judgement they have been guided as to the mode of constructing
the avenue, and they recommend the passage of the following
resolves for the Committee, Samuel A. Spinner, Chairman. George
H. Sumner, Benjamin G. Beaudman, Henry Fisher, John Frederick.
Resolved, that, in the opinion of the city council, the public con-
venience requires that the Eastern Avenue, running from the
foot of E. Street to the vicinity of Summer Street, ^A be authoriz-
ed by the Acts of the Legislature of this Commonwealth, ^B should
be constructed, at an early date, ^C ^D. Resolved, that, in the opin-
ion of the city council, it is expedient that the City of Bos-
ton should, at the present time, construct so much of said avenue
as lies between the shore of South Boston on the city land
at E. Street and the riparian line described in Chapter 1148
of the Acts of 1852, provided said work be done under the su-
pervision of a joint Committee of the City Council and the
City Engineer. Said on the title and ordered to be printed.
(See City Document N^o 58)

Ordered

Ordered: That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify J. C. Lantieri, the owner of estate N^o 155, 157, and
159 of Charleston Street, to forthwith close the dangerous openings which
project into the sidewalk of said street, and if same are not
closed within five days of the date of this order, the Chief of Police
is further directed to cause so much of said openings as project
on the line of Charleston Street to be closed.

Ordered

Street

Ordered: That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify Messrs. John C. Spaulding, John S. Hall
and Henry Thorne, who own the premises on Summer Street

to lay their sidewalks with brick within twenty days, and that in default thereof, the said sidewalks will be laid by the city at their cost.

Ordered: That the chief of Police be directed to notify the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company, situated in West Cambridge that to lay their sidewalks with brick within twenty days. And, that in default thereof the said sidewalks will be laid by the city at their cost according to law.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in rear of No 9 Shed caused by leaky and defective vaults on said premises, belonging to Wm S. Lyce, agent, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering the vault on foot to be cleared and repairing the same, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises near S. Shed caused by overflowing vaults on said premises belonging to E. L. Conner which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vaults on foot, the same to be cleared, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him has neglected to abate said nuisance.

The Bonds of the following Constables were approved by this Board Edmund P. Barker, Leicester Constable's bonds

Agreeably to the report of the
the committee on Licenses, William H. Sawyer was appointed
a denizen in this city. 1850

Agreeably to a statement the
Board took up the subject of the location of the Suffolk
Road over the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in Wash-
ington and Tremont Streets as found by the Board, and the ques-
tion being on the propriety of the order of location as contained
in City Document 55, and recorded page 508, Alderman Rice
moved to substitute the following Bill for the original, viz:
Enacted: In addition to the rights heretofore granted to the Sul-
folk Railroad Company to run down tracks in the City of Bos-
ton, the said Company shall have the further right
to connect their track now down at the corner of Washington
and Tremont Streets with the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in
said Tremont Street with the right to enter upon and use the
tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad in Wash-
ington, Tremont Streets, and the open space lying south
side of certain buildings, situated to the rear of the rear
corner of the 1st Wharf of the City of the State of
Massachusetts, passed April 10, 1850 concerning the Suffolk Rail-
road Company. The right to run the cars over the tracks of the
Metropolitan Railroad in Wash-
ington, Tremont Streets, and the open space in front of certain build-
ings, as before mentioned, is granted under the express proviso
and condition that the said Suffolk Railroad Company
shall run no cars or other any cars to be run in
without the limits of the City over the tracks of the Metro-
politan Railroad in Washington, Tremont Streets

602 and the number of cars that shall be allowed to run over
Feb. 30. 1861 the tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad shall be determined
from time to time by the Board of Aldermen for the time being.
And under the further express proviso and condition, that said
said railroad company shall accept this said ordinance
and agree to comply with its several provisions and con-
ditions in writing, within twenty days of the date of its pas-
sage, and file said acceptance and agreement with the City
Clerk, otherwise it shall be null and void. The question being
on the passage of said Substitute. Alderman Pru. moved to
recommit the whole subject to the Committee on Paving and
the Yeas and Nays being demanded on said motion they
were taken as follows: Yeas Aldermen Tannen, Hatch, Sherman,
Pru and Wilson. 5. Nays Aldermen Tracy, Clark, Egan, Rice,
Hester, Rich, Spennay &c. So said motion to recommit did not
prevail. The question then recurring on the passage of the pro-
posed substitute, the Yeas and Nays were demanded thereon and
were taken as follows: Yeas Aldermen Tracy, Clark, Egan, Rice,
Hester and Spennay &c. Nays Aldermen Tannen, Hatch, Sherman,
Pru, Rich and Wilson. 6. So said motion did not prevail. The ques-
tion then recurring on the passage of the original order of reso-
lution Alderman Wilson moved to recommit the same to the Com-
mittee on Paving which motion prevailed.

Sargent

Ordered: That there be paid to
Samuel A. Garrison the sum of \$1000 for the use of his
residence for damages caused to his estate by the change of grade
of Tremont, Castle and Gardner Streets, upon his paying a li-
berty to said city to the satisfaction of the City Aldermen.

upon his giving to the city an acquittance and discharge for 603
all damages, costs and expenses in connection with the widening
of grade; and that the same be charged to the special appropriation
for raising the grade of Belmont Street. Read once.

Ordered, That the Mayor
and Council of the City of Springfield
Springfield Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is
now law to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the
said city a parcel of land belonging to Patrick Comerford bound
on the north by the line of the present line of Springfield Street
on the south by the line of the present line of Springfield Street
on the east by the line of the present line of Springfield Street
on the west by a passageway twenty feet in width, two feet
and 7/10; containing one hundred and twelve square feet
more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the
intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for
the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return of the Board
made, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before
described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as
a public street or way of the said city according to a plan
of the said widening made by James Glade, City Engineer de-
posed September 23rd 1881 and deposited in the office of the said
Board of Aldermen. and this Board doth authorize that the
expense of widening the said Springfield Street, as aforesaid,
be amount to the sum of \$1000.00 which sum together
with the amount of estimate for the widening of the
continuance in said street, during the present municipal

Springfield

that

Springfield

604. year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read
Sep. 30. 1861. once.

Summer
Street
Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer in Summer
Street between Webster Street and Belmont Square, and
that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby
Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby
directed to construct a common sewer in said Summer Street
and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board,
pursuant to law. Read once

Truth
Street
Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer in Truth
Street between E and F Streets, and that public notice of such
intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Super-
intendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct
a common sewer in said Truth Street, and to report a sched-
ule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read
once.

Minors
retained as
police
Ordered: That the Board of
Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized to restrain the
sale to minors of Fancy goods, wares or merchandise in ac-
cordance with the provision of the Fifteenth Chapter of the Gen-
eral Statutes of Massachusetts. Read once

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston

Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall
on Thursday the third day of October, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Weston,
Conway, Hatch, Gibson, and Wilson.

John F. Hare was sworn in as Juror.

in the Second Session of the Superior Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the seventh day of October, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Five Grand Jurors were drawn from
the Superior Court; Four Grand and Five Petit for the United
States Circuit Court and eight Jurors for the Superior
Court, first session.

William C. Lindell, William C. ...

to be paid for and taken to within ...
to the Committee streets.

Petition of Lewis G. Richardson Richardson

that Lindell streets may be widened, ...
be on Streets.

William C. Lindell, William C. ...

others that ... on the south side of ...

606 west of Arlington Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers
Oct^r 7 1861

Petition of Robert B. Williams that
Hilton Street may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

Petition of Rowe's Wharf Corporation
that a nuisance in their dock occasioned by deposits of a
sewer therein may be abated. Referred to the Committee on
Internal Sanitation

On nomination by the Mayor, Thomas
W. Platen was appointed and confirmed as a Constable of
this City.

On nomination by the Mayor, Wil-
liam A. Mase was appointed and confirmed a Special Police
Officer at Thompson's Island.

No person appearing to object to
the proposed construction of a sewer in Seventh Street said sub-
ject was recommended to the Committee on Sewers.

Ordered: That due notice be given
that this Board will on Monday next at four o'clock
P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing
the common sewer in Spring Street between Hilton & Federal
Streets and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons
who may enter their premises adjacent to such common sewer
or who by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit
thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and
there be heard.

The Port Physician reported that during the last quarter he had boarded one hundred and fifty vessels under the quarantine rules and had received and paid into the City Treasury ninety in dollars and fifty cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The Directors for Public Institutions reported that during the last quarter they had expended the following sums.

House of Industry	16,615.36
House of Correction	2,251.88
Lunatic Hospital	6,183.67
Steamer N. Morrison	<u>2,591.39</u>
Total	31,440.50

Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The City Physician reported that during the last quarter he had vaccinated one hundred and twenty persons and re-vaccinated twenty eight persons. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

The Superintendent of Streets reported that during the last quarter he had expended in his Department the sum of fifty eight thousand five hundred and twenty nine dollars and seventy three cents; and that the amount of receipts during the same time was eight hundred and twenty dollars and eighty nine cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

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Health

reported that during the last quarter the expenses of his Department were two hundred and seventy six dollars and seventy cents; and the receipts eight hundred & three dollars and forty three cents. Read and sent down. In common. Placed on file.

Bulldoz

The Inspector in Chief of Bulldoz

reported that during the last quarter the his in Inspection and Repairing of Lighters and Bulldoz were two hundred and seventy nine dollars and sixteen cents; and the expenses seven hundred and ninety cents. Read and sent down. In common Council. Placed on file.

Soldiers
relief

The Joint Special Committee on

the subject of relief to the families of soldiers in the Massachusetts Regiments submitted to the City Council a second report on that subject, in print (See City Document 56) in which they state that the former appropriation for this subject are now exhausted and that a further appropriation is now needed. They also exhibit a summary of their expenditures under the former appropriations, and they conclude their report with a recommendation that the following order should be adopted. Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance, twenty five thousand dollars, the same to be and hereby is made an appropriation for the relief of the families of soldiers. Resolved in common Council. Yeas 22. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Snow, Clark, Gilson, Hanson, Hatch, Fairbanks, Rice, Shaw, Foster, Vick, Spinnay and Wilson. 12 Yeas none. Approved by the Mayor October 8, 1861.

Loan

The order submitted to the Socy.

and on the thirtieth ultimo, authorizing the Board of Aldermen to obtain the same by means of a public order under the 50th Chapter of the General Statutes, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Order to come upon carried. Approved by the Mayor October 11. 1861.

Ordered: That D. I. Gilchrist

be employed by the Committee on County Accounts to prepare the arranged copies of the Index in the Registry of Deeds in this County for the year 1861 required by the Board of Aldermen of the General Statutes, Section 102 upon the same terms as provided for the work of 1860. Each set to be paid for upon the certificate of the Chairman of the said Committee that the work has been satisfactorily done in conformity with the said Act on or before the 31st day of December 1862. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 8. 1861.

Index
Suffolk Registry

Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to repair with flag rock blocks Beacon Street between Bowdoin Street and Park Street and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on the eastern

Beacon
Street

611. Side of said part of Beacon Street to furnish new edgestone to
Oct. 7, 1861 support the sidewalk in front of their estates, and that in de-
fault thereof the same will be furnished to the City at their cost.
Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 8, 1861.

Sumner
Street

The order submitted to the Board
on the 30th ult. for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a
sewer in Sumner Street between Webster Street and Belmont Square,
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
October 8, 1861.

Fourth
Street.

The order submitted to the Board
on the 30th ult. for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a sewer
in Fourth Street between Grand & X Streets, was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 8, 1861.

Springfield
Street

The resolve and order submitted
at the meeting of the Board on the thirtieth ultimo, to take land
from Patrick Comerford to widen Springfield Street, were read a
second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Oct^r 8, 1861.

Sargent

The order submitted to the
Board on the 30th ult. to pay John A. Sargent seven hundred
dollars for grade damages on Tremont, Castle and Franklin
Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the
Mayor October 8, 1861.

Spring
Street

Ordered that the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to repair Spring Street between Ho-
land and Allen Streets and make such changes in the grade
of said Street, as he shall deem necessary and remove all such

projections on the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost four hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 8. 1861.

The Bonds of the following Constables
Constables having been first approved by the City Treasurer and also approved by this Board, viz: William Holmes, Joseph L. Leburn, Aaron S. Drew, Luther A. Ham, John C. Harrington, William L. Martin, John L. Sullivan, William T. Reed, Oliver A. Spurr, Asa Southworth, Henry C. Mather, Jacob C. Talbot, George L. Southworth, Samuel I. Thayer, and John Wilson. Said bonds were also approved by the Mayor, Oct. 8. 1861.

Ordered: That the salaries of the Chief Engineer, Assistant Engineers and other officers and members of the Fire Department due for the quarter ending October 1. 1861, be allowed and paid them at the rate per quarter or part of the quarter as the case may be and to be paid except that the officers and members of the companies in Northampton Street and East Boston and South Boston respectively be paid at the same rate that the members and officers of companies in other parts of the City shall be paid. Passed in Common Council. Came up on Concurrence. Read and on motion of Herman Spinney Laid on the table.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists at the Eastern Exchange caused by an

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Oct. 7, 1861. existing vault on said premises, belonging to Charles Humes, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by instructing contractors of Ward No. 1. to clean said vault at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Lawrence &
Minot Street. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises in Lawrence and Minot Streets caused by an obstructed drain on said premises belonging to Samuel C. Brown and William H. Braudman which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Blackstone
Street Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners of the estate just erected on Blackstone Street between North Street and Hanover Street, on the west-
ern corner of Cook Square, to close the openings into the sidewalks of said Blackstone Street, and used for steps, with, and if not closed within seven days then the Chief of Police is further directed to cause said openings to be closed.

Tenant
Officers The Tenant Officers submitted to the Board their reports for the several Districts of this city stating the number and character of the arrests for Tenancy during the last quarter. Read and placed on file.

The Superintendent of Public

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lands submitted to the Board his report of the sales of the Public Lands during the last quarter, and on the same was ordered to be printed.

The Chief of Police submitted to

Police

the Board his report of the number and character of the arrests made by his Department during the last quarter. Read and placed on file.

On the several petitions of

Alimental

Al. Alimental that Robin Street may be accepted and graded, and of J. Thos. Baldwin and others that the grade of Main Street in Ward 9, may be raised, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary thereon at the present time. Read and accepted.

Baldwin

The Committee on Paving, to

Suffolk

whom was recommended the Order of Location to the Suffolk Rail Road Company, would report the same back to the Board, in an amended form. For the Committee, George W. Parmenter, Clerk. In addition to the rights heretofore granted to the Suffolk Rail Road Company to lay down tracks in the streets of the City of Boston, the said Company shall have the further right to connect their track now down at the corner of Washington & Boylston Streets with the track of the Metropolitan Railroad in said Boylston Street, with the right to enter upon and use the tracks of said Metropolitan Railroad in Cornhill, Washington, Boylston, and Tremont Streets, and the open space wing Southwicks of College Building, agreeably to the provisions of the second section of the 191st Chapter of the Acts of the General Court of Massachusetts passed April 10, 1861, concerning the

Railroad

614. Suffolk Railroad Company. The right to run the cars over the
(Ct., 1861. tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in Cornhill, Washington, Bos-
ton, and Tremont Streets, and the open space in front of
Scott's Building, is granted under the express proviso and
condition that the said Suffolk Railroad Company shall run
no cars, nor allow any cars to be run from without the limits
of the City over the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in
Washington, Boston, and Tremont Streets, and the number
of cars that shall be allowed to be run over the tracks of
said Metropolitan Railroad shall be determined from time to
time by the Board of Aldermen for the time being. And all
cars run over the tracks, as above described, shall also be
run between the City proper and East Boston. And the cars
on the Medford and Webster Streets routes shall continue to
run as they now do, and the facilities of travelling furnished
to the people of East Boston by said Suffolk Railroad Company
shall in no way be diminished. And under the further express
proviso and condition that the said Suffolk Railroad Com-
pany shall make a correct return to the Board of Aldermen
of the number of cars used and run upon any of the tracks
of the said Suffolk Railroad from without the City of Boston;
and shall pay into the City Treasury for each successive six
months, ending with the months of December and June in each
year, the sum of fifteen dollars for each car as before mentioned
run over the tracks of the said Suffolk Railroad, within ten
days from the day said return was due; provided, that said
Company shall acquire no right not otherwise granted to it by
the payment of said sum. And under the further express pro-
viso and condition that in the repairing of structures, special

in previous orders granted to said Suffolk Railroad Company by the Board of Aldermen, and accepted by the said company, the location, pavement of such material and dimensions as the Superintendent of Streets shall direct, shall be laid down inside & outside of each rail. Also, under the further express proviso and condition that said Suffolk Railroad Company shall be subject to such restrictions and regulations for the convenience of other travel as well as for the accommodation of their own passengers, as the Board of Aldermen from time to time shall decide that the public good shall require. Also under the further express proviso and condition that such a number of cars of other railroad companies as are run exclusively within the limits of the city, as the Board of Aldermen shall from time to time determine and order, may be run over the tracks of the said Suffolk Railroad Company in Northhill, Conesway, Herimac, and Scotland Street, and that if the compensation to be paid to said Suffolk Railroad Company by the corporation or corporations for running their cars over said tracks of the Suffolk Railroad Company cannot be mutually agreed upon, the compensation to be paid shall be determined by the Board of Aldermen for the time being, or by commissioners which may be appointed by the Supreme Judicial Court. Also, under the further express proviso and condition to the location granted under the authority of this order, that said Suffolk Railroad Company shall accept this said order of location, and agree to comply with its several provisions and conditions in writing, within twenty days of the date of its passage, and file said acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk; otherwise it shall be null and void. The roadway or cartway mentioned in this order is to include the whole space

616 between the edgstones supporting the sidewalks on both sides
Oct. 7, 1861 of the sheet. and on the left and ordered to be printed. See
City Document #59.

Comerford

Ordered: That there be paid to
Eulick Comerford the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, in land
taken to widen East Springfield Street, and for all damages
which has been or may be occasioned by change of grade,
removal of buildings and repairs thereon, or any other damages
whatsoever upon his giving to the City a Bond for the same, and
an acquittance and discharge of all trial trial damages,
cost and expense in consequence of said taking; and that
the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and
widening Streets. Read once.

Seventh

Street

Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer, in Seventh
Street, between N. and N. Streets, and that public notice of such
intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Super-
intendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct
a common sewer in said Seventh Street and to report a
schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law.
Read once.

Saving
appropriation

The Committee on Saving, to whom
was re-committed their report, asking for an additional ap-
propriation of fifty thousand dollars, would respectfully sub-
mit the following facts in relation to the state of the appropria-
tion, i.e. the amount of appropriation which was asked for
to meet the want of the Saving Department the present fi-
nancial year, was one hundred and ninety thousand dollars,
and the amount appropriated was one hundred and forty

618. Paving of New Devonshire Street,

1,500

Oct. 7, 1861. Receiving of Town Street Bridge from injury, during the time
the excavations were made for building future street extension, 16,500
To meet the deficiency of other partial or ordinary
repaving and grading, and for general repairs, 11,500

\$ 60,000

The Committee would state that they have before them, at the
present time, petitions for grading at both South Boston and East
Boston, which, in the opinion of the Committee, they may recom-
mend being done, on the ground that the public good will be
promoted thereby in two ways: first in making safe and im-
proved thoroughfares, and second, in giving laborers employment
in the winter season. They were Committee again unani-
mously recommend the passage of the order appended to their
former report, which was referred to the Committee, George W.
Sumner, Ordered: That the Committee on Finance be direct-
ed to provide for the addition of the sum of fifty thousand dol-
lars to the appropriation for paving &c, for the present financial year.
Read once.

Devonshire
Street

Ordered, That Devonshire Street
be called, between Winthrop Square and Summer Street, formerly
known as Winthrop Place, be and the same hereby is dedicated
as a public highway in accordance with a deed of the same
given to the City by Isaac Rich and John C. Hull. Read once.

Devonshire
Street
to pave

Ordered, That the Superintend-
ent of Streets be authorized to pave Devonshire Street, between Win-
throp Square and Summer Street, in conformity with the Stat-
ute and grade, and remove all such obstructions in the line of said

Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into 619.
and Street not in accordance with the Ordinance of Oct. 7, 1861.
the City, and those which are so much out of repair as to be lia-
ble to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have
refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost one
thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the
fourteenth day of October. - Anno Domini, 1861.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Four traverse jurors drawn

jurors

for the Superior Court, criminal term.

Petition of Charles Buchanan

Buchanan

and others that Millions Court may be accepted as a public
highway - and of Constitution Rules and others for the same
object. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Rule.

Petition of Thomas and Sons

Loring

and others that Paul Street may be repaired. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Petition of William Bramhall
 Oct. 11, 1861 and others that Beacon Street may be accepted as far as
 Bramhall. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hayden

Petition of John C. Hayden to be
 paid redemptions caused by change of grade on Second Street.
 Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Ellis

Petition of Calvin Ellis for
 permission to enter a surface drain from a cesspool on Wharf &
 India Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Martie

Petition of the Atlantic Works Com-
 pany that Marion Street at East Boston may be graded between
 Chelsea and Bremen Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Guild

Petition of William H. Guild to a
 paving in relation to an order to close openings in the sidewalk
 of Blackstone Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Reed

Petition of Reuben Reed & others
 that Scotland Street may be widened near Merimac Street.
 Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Thompson

Petition of Thomas Thompson
 to be paid additional compensation for land taken to widen
 North Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Fales

Petition of Halibarton Fales & others
 that a sewer be extended through Williams Street. Referred to the
 Committee on Sewers.

for permission to inter a body in the Stuart Burial Ground. Oct. 11/1861.
 Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries. Brubaker

On nomination by the
 Mayor the following persons were admitted members of the 1st
 Fire Department, viz: George A. Hall, Engine Company No. 2. Fire Department
 Elias Hancock, Joseph Hise, George A. Hise, and John A. Hise.
 John A. Hise, John A. Hise, and John A. Hise.
 members of the Company at Washington Village.

On nomination by the Mayor Special
 James E. McHenry was appointed a Special Police Officer at
 the Fitchburg Railroad Station and Patrick Kelly was ap-
 pointed a Special Police Officer at Fort Hill.

On nomination by the Mayor Constable
 Samuel Buckett was appointed a constable of this city.

No person appearing to object Spring
 to the proposed construction of a sewer in Spring Street between
 Milton and Fifth Streets, said subject was recommended to
 the Committee on Sewers. Street

The Auditor of Accounts sub- Armories
 mitted to the Board a schedule of the Armories occupied by
 the Volunteer militia in this city and the rent allowed is
 each, as follows: Light Artillery Upper Street, six hundred dollars;
 Lance's No. 71 Mulberry Street, six hundred dollars; Light Dragoon
 Borden Hall, six hundred dollars; Second Battalion of Infantry,
 three companies - Foylston Hall nine hundred dollars; Fourth

622. Battalion of Infantry, two companies, City Hall, six hundred dollars; Fourth Battalion of Rifle, four companies, Nassau Hall, twelve hundred dollars; United Guard, Aurora Hall, three hundred dollars; Union Guard, Marwick Hall, (bought July 4, 1861) two hundred and twenty five dollars; National Guard, 1385 Washington Street, three hundred dollars; Washington Guard, Eliot Street, three hundred dollars; Independent Cadets, No 94 Remond Hall three hundred dollars; Muskets, Union and Marshall Halls, three hundred dollars. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

Federal
Street.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Federal Street should be widened it is therefore Ordered, that due notice be given to Samuel A. H. Parker, John E. Drake, Benjamin F. Drake, W. Buck, Susan E. Buck, Thomas Goddard, A. B. W. Danni, Thomas Harland, Amanda Harland, Edward Hatch, and Samuel Hatch, that this Board intend to widen the street here mentioned, by taking a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twelfth day of October instant at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

North
Street.
Collamore,
Lane.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that certain portion of land taken December 23, 1859 from Francis G. Shaw and Gilman Collamore to widen North Street, should be discontinued it is therefore Orderly Ordered, that due notice be given to the said Gilman Collamore and Francis G. Shaw that this Board intend to discontinue the portion here mentioned

of their land as a public street and that Monday, the twenty first day of October instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Oct. 11/1861.

Petition of E. G. Dudley for further time in which to pay instalments due on certain land in Rutland and Vermont Streets. Referred in Common Council to the Board of Land Commissioners. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Dudley

Petition of Trustees of the Shaw Fund for the use of the Ward Room in Ward 12, for an evening school room. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 17. Came up concurred.

Shaw's Fund
Trustees

A communication was received from the Auditor stating that additions will be needed to the appropriations for incidental expenses of Grammar Schools and of Primary Schools. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Appropriations

The Board of Land Commissioners to whom was referred the petition of William W. Nichols and ninety others, that the vacant land on Dorchester Street and North Street may be laid out as a Public Square, having duly considered the same, would respectfully submit the following Report: That the lot of land referred to in said petition was set apart and deeded to the City of Boston in 1824, upon the express condition that it should be used as a Burial Ground. The lot was enclosed and for a time was used

Nichols
Dorchester,
North Street

027. a a cemetery, but for many years past it has not been used
Oct 14/1861. for any purpose. As it has been repeatedly decided, that the
city can use said lot only as a Burial Ground, the Commis-
sioners would recommend that the petitioners have leave to with-
draw. For the Commissioners, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 17. Came up
concurred.

Salary
Bill
Firemen

On motion of Alderman Hatch
the Board took from the table the Salary Bill, and the question
being stated to be on concurring with the Common Council in
their amendment to Section 35 of said Bill whereby the rate of pay
to be given to the East and South Boston Firemen and also to the
Fire Company on Westmoreton Street will be made equal to that
of Firemen in the City Proper, the Yeas and Nays were demanded
thereon and were taken as follows. Yeas Aldermen Carpenter and
Spencer. 2 Nays Aldermen Amos, Clark, Gibson, Hanson, Hatch,
and New Boston. Rich and Wilson. 10 So this Board refused to
concur in the proposed amendment by the Common Council, and
drawn.

Hallis

The Board of Land Commission-
ers to whom was referred the petition of Paul S. Hallis, that two lots
of land on Worcester Street adjacent to the city for houses of con-
dition of said lots may be reconveyed to him, having fully consid-
ered the same would respectfully submit the following report.
That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Commissioners,
Samuel Hatch Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for
concurrence. Oct. 17. Came up concurred.

is to be paid

Ordered. That the bill of John
Worcester for work on the Jail amounting to five hundred &

ninety eight dollars and twenty one cents repaid, printed and
approved, audited and allowed in the usual manner. Read in
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.
Approved by the Mayor Oct. 15 1861.

Notice was received from the Common
Council that a vacancy exists in that body occasioned by
the resignation of Andrew Ainsworth of Ward One. Read and placed
on file.

The Committee on Fire Alarms
to whom was referred an order relative to the construction of a
Fire Alarm Telegraph to East Boston, have considered the same,
and beg leave respectfully to report; that they have procured from
the Superintendent of Fire Alarms a statement of the expense of
erecting such a telegraph as would be required, and also a state-
ment of the number of times that alarms have originated in
East Boston during the last nine years. It appears that alarms
have been given from East Boston on the station nearest the
series, on the City side 1 sixty times during nine years. Of these
sixty, five were given on the occasion of the recent great fire,
making the average only about six alarms per year; while the
average for the City is one hundred and seventy five per year.
The expense of erecting a reliable telegraph would be nearly fifty
five hundred dollars; and the expense of the system would be more
than proportionately increased, owing to the location of the wires
through Charlestown and Chelsea, making the circuit longer
and the liability to accidents greater. In cases of incendiarism
no precaution could render the wires safe from being cut and ren-
dered useless; and if in such a case the wires were cut, property would
be likely to incur greater damage than if the present system were

626 continued, because the time lost in making the discovery & in-
Oct. 14, 1861. jing to the wires might be used to communicate the alarm in
the usual way. East Boston is well provided with fire apparatus,
and it is not likely that alarms would ever be given from there,
more than from other extreme parts of the city, except in case of
emergency; and it would very rarely happen that the ordinary
means of communication would not be sufficiently serviceable.
In view of these facts, the Committee deem it inexpedient, at
the present time at least, to make the expenditure which would
be required. They therefore recommend that the order do not
pass. The Committee herewith submit the estimates made by the
Superintendent of Fire Alarms, at the request of the Chairman,
together with some statistics bearing upon the question. For the
Committee, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Said on the table and
ordered to be printed. (See City Document No. 61.)

Paving.

The report and order authorizing
the Committee on Finance to provide the sum of sixty thousand
dollars to be added to the appropriation for paving which were
submitted to the Board on the seventh instant, were read a se-
cond time and said order passed. Yeas Aldermen Amory, Gibson,
Hanson, Hatch, Carpenter, Fay, Rich, Spinney and Wilson G. Noyes.
Nay Aldermen Clark, and Rice. 2. Alderman Preston. Sent
down for concurrence.

Committed.

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Patrick Combs for land taken to
widen East Springfield Street was read a second time & passed
affirmed by the Mayor October 15, 1861.

The order submitted at the 62nd

last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sewers to construct a sewer in Seventh Street between K and M. This was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 16. 1861

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Seventh
Street.

Whereas, it appears to this Board

that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer in Spring Street between Poplar and Miller Streets, and that public notice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct a common sewer in said Spring Street, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 14. 1861.

Spring
Street

Whereas, it appears to this Board

that a necessity exists for the extension of the Mount Vernon Street Sewer west of River Street to the Sea Wall, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to extend the said Mount Vernon Street Sewer to the Sea Wall the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for Sewers. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Oct 16. 1861.

Mount Vernon
Street

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board to accept Devonshire Street from Northrop Place as a public highway was read a second time & passed. Approved by the Mayor October 16. 1861.

Devonshire
Street
accepted

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to fence

Devonshire
Street

628 Devonshire Street between Winthrop's Square and Summer Street
Oct. 14, 1861. was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
October 16, 1861.

Keneil Hall
Square

The Committee on Paving having examined the condition of the southern side of Keneil Hall Square, are unanimously of the opinion that a nuisance existing from a stagnant water, can be removed by raising the grade and widening the sidewalk between Cornhill and Wellington Streets, and for that purpose have reported the accompanying order. The Committee would also state that a bond has been given to the City by all the lessees and owners of all the estates affected by the change but one, relinquishing all claims to grade damages caused by the change. This estate is the one occupied by Read & Company, dealers in hardware and firearms. The change of grade in front of this estate is some six inches. The order is submitted for the consideration of the Board. In the Committee, Geo. W. Fairmount. Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to regrade the southern portion of Keneil Hall Square, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost twelve hundred dollars. Read and passed. Approved by the Mayor. October 16, 1861.

On motion of Alderman Par- 629.

menter the Board took up the order of location for the Suffolk rail road company and the question being upon the passage of said order as contained in City Document 57 and recited on page 612 it was adopted without amendment. See page 641

The Bonds of the following Constables

Constables having been first approved by the City Council were examined and approved to this Board. Said Constables are: Charles W. Cole, Marshall A. Hutchinson, John W. Miller, Edward G. Allen, Nelson, Elijah Robinson, and John Williams. Said Bonds were also approved to the Mayor Oct. 15. 1861.

The United States Commission

on the survey of Boston Harbor transmitted their fourth and fifth reports on the state of the inner harbor of Boston. Said on the last and one thousand copies ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police

be directed to notify the owners and abutters on Beacon Street, southerly side between Arlington and Berkeley Streets, who have not laid their sidewalks, to lay said sidewalks with brick within twenty days. And, that in default thereof the same will be done by the City at their cost according to law.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police

be directed to notify the owner and abutters on Harrison Avenue between Davis Street and Parker Street on the westerly side who have not laid their sidewalks, to lay said sidewalks with brick within twenty days. And, that in default thereof the same will be laid by the City at their cost according to law.

Whereas it appears to this Board

Oct. 14. 1881. that a nuisance exists on premises on Shawmut Avenue caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to C. H. Page, Mrs. Garry, and John Eichorn, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Bremen

Ordered: That the Super-

intendent of Streets be authorized to have all obstructions removed from Bremen Street between Elder Street and Curtis Street.

Portland

Whereas it appears to this Board

that a nuisance exists on premises on corner of Portland and Mulbury Street, caused by stagnant water in cellar on said premises belonging to William Scitery, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining or otherwise at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified by him, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Edron

Whereas it appears to this Board

that a nuisance exists on premises in Edron Place caused by overflowing vaults on said premises belonging to John Leonard & Sons of John J. Lane, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vaults or pits to be cleaned at the expense of

and parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected
to abate said nuisance.

1871, 1872.

The Committee on Streets to whom Phillips
was recommended the order of notice respecting the widening of Congress Street
Congress Street by taking land of E. B. Smith reported, that it is in-
expedient to widen said street at this time. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Com-
mittee on Internal Health care was granted to William B. Fosdick
Fosdick and others to erect a stable for more than four horses in Rich-
mond Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Com-
mittee on the Market the transfer of lease of State St. Market
State Market from Albert E. Hilton to John Brown was approved
by the Board.

On the petitions of Gilman Col-
more, and of Francis G. Shaw and others, to be paid for land taken
Colmore-
Shaw
North Street
to widen North Street, the Committee on Streets reported that the
matter has been settled by the proposed discontinuance of a por-
tion of said street as this day ordered. Read and accepted.

Ordered, That there be paid to
Stinkley Williams Company the sum of four thousand and two
Stinkley
hundred and eighty eight ²⁵/₁₀₀ dollars, for land taken to widen Harrison Avenue and
for damages for removing all obstructions and all other claims,
upon their giving to the City a deed in the same, and an acquit-
tance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in con-
sequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the ap-
propriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Ordered: That Linden Street,

Oct. 14, 1861. as laid out & widened, running from South Street to Lorches-
 Linden Street & the same hereby is dedicated as a public high-
 Street. way, upon a deed of the same being given to the City by Benjamin
 James and George D. James, the owners thereof. Ordered, that the Su-
 perintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in said Lin-
 den Street as soon as the edgestones are furnished. Read once

Clark

Ordered: That the Committee on

Street Sewer be and they are hereby authorized to purchase the fee of
 a strip of land thirty feet in width and about one hundred and
 fifty feet in length between Sullivan and Goldard Streets, some-
 times called Clark Street, for the purpose of constructing a common
 sewer through said strip of land to Goldard Street as the most
 feasible way of draining Goldard Street: the expense of said purchase
 of land not to exceed the sum of fifty dollars. Sent once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of 633

Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the twenty first day of October, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of William Trant Trant

and others for a Sewer in Salem Street between Richmond and
Stillman Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of William Hulston Jr. Hulston

and others that Montgomery Street be lighted with gas. Referred to
the Committee on Lamps.

Petition of Mrs. Nettie and Nettie

others that a clock be furnished to the Unitarian Episcopal
church on Tremont Street. Referred to the Committee on Bells
and Clocks.

Copies of proposed petitions to Brighton Market, Brighton

the Legislature to incorporation of certain parties under the name
of the Brighton Market Horse Railroad Company; the South
Bend Horse Railroad Company and the Lynn & Swamp
scot Horse Railroad Company, severally to enter upon and
use the streets of this city. Referred to the Committee on Fairs.

Copies of proposed petitions to the Hinnismit

Legislature to the Hinnismit Horse Railroad Company and the
Lynn and Boston Horse Railroad Company, severally for defini-
tion of locations within this city. Referred to the Committee on
Fairs.

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Trunk
Railroad

Copy of proposed petition to the
Legislature to the Trunk Railroad Company for leave to run
cars and use the tracks of other Trunk Railroad Companies in
this City. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Western
Avenue
Railroad

Copy of proposed petition to the Leg-
islature for a Trunk Railroad location over the Western Avenue.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Baker

Petition of William W. Baker and
others that the gutter and sidewalk on the south side of
Concord Street from Commercial Avenue to Townsend Street may
be laid. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Currier

Petition of Gideon Currier for leave
to move a wooden building from South Williams Street court
across Washington Street to Mulden Street. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving with full power.

Marion &
Fayette
Streets

A communication from the Su-
perintendent of Health was read stating that there is urgent
need of proper drainage on estates on Marion and Fayette Streets.
Referred to the Committee on the Truck Bay.

Police.

On nomination by the Mayor
George Helwig was appointed and confirmed as a Police Officer
of this City with all the powers of Constable except the power of
serving and executing civil process.

Federal
Street

No person appearing to ob-
ject to the proposed widening of Federal Street by taking land

of S. J. Barker, John E. Drake, A. F. Drake, H. Drake, John E. Drake, 635
Thomas Portland, A. J. M. Dennis, Thomas Portland, Portland, Co. 11001
land Edward Gulch and Samuel Gulch, and subject was re-
committed to the Committee on Streets.

No person appearing to object North
to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of South Street
now to states of Gilman Colhamore and Francis J. Shaw, and
subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

Whereas C. and G. Barker have Portland
given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings
on Portland near Main Street in the said city and, in
the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the
inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened
at the place described in the said notice on land of Benjamin
Wenden and others, it is therefore hereby ordered, that due no-
tice be given to the said Benjamin Wenden and to the heirs
of J. P. Wessenden that this Board intend to widen the street
before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be
built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a pub-
lic street and that Monday the twenty eighth day of October
instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hear-
ing any objections which may be made thereto

Petition of J. W. and Victor are
for abatement of tax on 1861. Referred to the Committee on the
Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. October 24 same
was concurred

Oct 21/80. *Sur* *England* *Female* *Med. College.* *Agents* to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of the New England Female Medical College for leave to procure a lot of land adjoining the new City Hospital Estate, also that they may be discharged from their obligation to purchase the estate situated on Worcester and Springfield Streets and which has been occupied by them for the past two years - having fully considered the subject would respectfully submit the following report. The Commissioners are unanimous in the opinion that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Trustees at present, respecting a lot of land adjoining the new City Hospital Estate, and on that portion of their petition which relates to their estate on Springfield and Worcester Streets now occupied by them. They would recommend the passage of the accompanying order. In the Commissioners Samuel Tyler Chairman. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Lands be and he is hereby directed to take possession of the land and buildings thereon situated between Worcester and Springfield Streets as shown upon a plan of City and Sold, Book 2, Leaf 41, in the office of the Superintendent of Public Lands, for and in behalf of the City of Boston, for non-fulfilment and breach of conditions of sale; and that the same be placed in charge of the Board of Land Commissioners. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct 25/80.

Auditor
each has

Ordered: That the committee on accounts be authorized to draw bills for occasional services in the Auditor's Office to an amount not exceeding two hundred dollars for the present financial year and that the same be

charged to the appropriation of salaries. Read twice & passed
sent down for concurrence. Alder & came up concurred. Approved
by the Mayor Nov. 1. 1861.

Ordered: That five hundred extra copies of the report of the first Special Committee on the Eastern Avenue be printed for the use of the City Council. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. October 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 25. 1861.

Petition of Charles J. Cheney for an extension of time in payment for land on Hercules Avenue. Read in Common Council to the Board of Public Land Commissioners. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Common Council having refused to concur with this Board in the passage of the order adopted in this Board on the nineteenth ultimo to pay the sum of five hundred dollars to the Anna C. Lord in certain conditions - Said order was returned to this Board: and on motion of Alderman Spinney was laid upon the table - and thereupon Alderman Amory with some explanatory remarks introduced a new preamble and order on this subject as follows: Whereas the City Council of Boston have witnessed the beneficial influence exerted by the Ladies Association of Union Hall upon the families of Soldiers now at the seat of war, whereby the wives and daughters of these absent soldiers can easily obtain relief, and are thus enabled to feel the blessings of earning the fruits of industry, rather than being dependent wholly upon public bounty, and whereas, the City Council are satisfied that even an

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Oct. 21/86. association, & productive of good to individuals who otherwise
might be an burden to the city, can be readily assisted, and
should be aided by an appropriation from the public treasury
in order that the means of such an association to alleviate the
distress of our citizens should be increased. it is therefore Ordered:
That there be paid to Mrs. Anna C. South, in behalf of the Ladies
Association at Union Hall, under the direction of the Joint Spec-
ial Committee on Soldiers' Relief, the sum of five hundred dol-
lars, on condition that the same shall be expended for the
benefit of the families of Soldiers at the seat of war, who belong in the
city of Boston and that said sum be charged to the appropria-
tion for Soldiers' Relief. Read twice and passed. Sent down for
concurrence November 7. Came up non-concurred.

The On motion of Alderman Hatch
The Board took from the table the report of the Committee on
East Boston. The thumbs submitted October twentieth declaring it inadvis-
able to extend the fire alarm system to East Boston and advising
that the order contemplating that measure be not passed. Read
and accepted and the order was accordingly rejected.

Constable's
Bonds

The Bonds of David M. R. Dow-
dell, Daniel A. Curtis and Samuel Hackett Constables of this City,
having been approved by the City Treasurer, was also approved
by this Board. Approved by the Mayor October 22, 1861.

North
Street
Shaw

Resolved, That the safety and
convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that a por-
tion of North Street should be discontinued as a public road

a way of the said city adjoining the State of S. G. Shaw and others, trustees bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the line of North Street as established Dec^r 23^d 1859, there measuring twenty two feet and $\frac{1}{2}$; Northeastwardly by a passageway, three feet and $\frac{1}{4}$; Southeastwardly by the proposed line of discontinuance of said North Street, twenty two feet and $\frac{1}{2}$; and Southwardly by the same, three feet and $\frac{1}{2}$; containing eighty square feet, more or less, and being the same parcel of land taken from J. G. Shaw and others, trustees to widen North Street Dec^r 23^d 1859. And whereas, due notice has been given of the action of this Board to discontinue the said portion of North Street as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same heretofore, discontinued as a public street a way of the said City according to a plan of the same made in and by the said City Engineer dated Oct^r 7th 1859, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of the said discontinuance will amount to nothing. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 22. 1861.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that a portion of North Street should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City, adjoining the State of S. G. Shaw and others, trustees bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the line of North Street as established December 23^d 1859, there measuring twenty feet and $\frac{5}{8}$; Northeastwardly by West Street ten feet and $\frac{7}{8}$; and Southwardly by the proposed line of discontinuance of the said street, twenty feet and $\frac{1}{2}$, and Southwardly by the same ten feet

North
Street
discontinuance

646. and ³⁵ containing seventy three square feet, more or less, and
Oct. 1861 being the same parcel of land taken from Gilman Cottage to
widen the said North Street December 23^d 1859. And whereas, due
notice has been given of the intention of this Board to discontin-
ue the said portion of North Street as appears by the return
hereto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, that the parcel of land
above described be, and the same shall be, discontinued as a
public street or way of the said City according to a plan of
the same made by James Glade, City Engineer, dated October
18th 1859, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Alder-
men. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of the said
discontinuance will amount to nothing. Read twice and passed, ap-
proved by the Mayor Oct. 22. 1861.

Linden

Street

The orders submitted at the last
meeting of the Board for the acceptance of Linden Street from
Fourth Street to Rochester Street, and for the Superintendent of
Highways to pave the gutters of said Linden Street, were read a sec-
ond time and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 22. 1861. (re-
vinded see Oct. 28)

Hinkley

Order not paid as taking
was incomplete vide
page 27. vide also 106
page 100

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Hinkley, Williams & Co. for thousand
and twenty eight dollars and twenty five cents for land taken to
widen Harrison Avenue, was read a second time and passed.
Approved by the Mayor Oct. 22. 1861.

Lark

Street

The order submitted at the
last meeting of the Board for the purchase of the fee of Lark
Street between Sullivan and Goddard Streets for the purpose of sewer-
age, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
October 22. 1861.

His Honor the Mayor returned 641.

to the Board the order, which passed at the last meeting granting to
a location to the Suffolk Railroad Company with no objection to
said measure as follows: "to the Board of Aldermen of the City of
Boston. Gentlemen: I regret to be compelled, from a sense of duty
to return to you, without my approval, the Bill passed by the
Board in favor of the Suffolk Railroad, (Bill No. 1897). The
last action of the present Bill, authorizing the Suffolk Railroad
Company to run their cars over the Metropolitan Railroad track,
through Washington, Joynton, and Mount Street, is precisely
the same as one submitted to me on a former occasion, and
to which I then expressed my objection, and the reasons for
withholding my approval, and now, after a careful re-exami-
nation of the subject, I feel obliged to reaffirm my conviction that
no public exigency exists for the Suffolk Railroad cars to be run over
this route. The advantages appear to me to be limited and local
while the disadvantages are extended and general. The author-
ization by which other horse railroad companies may be allowed
to run their cars over the track of the Suffolk Railroad, to the
various railway stations on Causeway Street, is a new provision
introduced into the present Bill, but, as I have anticipated this
proposition, and stated my objections to the principle involved
in this section, in a recent communication to the Board, I
deem it unnecessary to repeat them at this time. With this expres-
sion of my present views confirming the opinion already submitted
to you in my communication upon the same subject in the second
of September, I might properly refrain from any further remarks,
and return the Bill to be disposed of according to your own judg-
ment. But my respect for the opinions and actions of the Board.

Suffolk
Rail Road
Mayor's
Veto.

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impels me to enquire into the causes of this difference, and invite their attention to a review of some of the circumstances connected with this subject. In the reports of the Committee recommending the passage of the several bills in relation to the Suffolk Railroad, no reasons have been given, and no arguments have been advanced in favor of the measure, and I am therefore compelled to consider the reasons and arguments, which have been verbally presented at the hearings, and in the discussions, before the Board of Aldermen; and, I believe the following may be regarded as a summary of the principal points which have been urged in favor of the grant. First. The people of East Boston and Ward 1, have the same right to ride in one car and for one fare to the High Schools, and the public Library, as the residents of South Boston or Ward 11. and the Suffolk Rail Road cars ought to be allowed to carry them to these places. Second. That the Suffolk is a city railroad for the exclusive benefit of our citizens and hence, it has superior claims, to the use of the streets of the city, over the Metropolitan railroad, which, is an out of town road, detrimental to the interests of the City, because, it furnishes facilities for persons, doing business in Boston, to reside in other towns. Third. That in granting the privilege to the Metropolitan railroad company, to lay their track from the Faneuil House, through Cornhill and Washington Street to State Street, it was with the express understanding that this portion of their track was to be used by other city railroads companies, and as the Suffolk railroad company desire to use it, they want to be allowed to do so. It is apparent from all these reasons, that the claims of the Suffolk railroad are based, not upon any general public want, but solely upon local, limited, and

judish grounds. No pretense is made that any one is to derive 643.
any benefit from this extension except a very few of the residents of
East Boston and Ward One, and the accommodation to them
owes no proportion to the trouble and annoyance of another line
— as on Washington Street. It is a nuisance to the people of
East Boston to walk from Felt's building to the public library
as it is one that is shared in common and to a far greater ex-
tent by a large majority of all the residents in the city proper.
The fallacy of the second argument will be best shown in a
comparison of the accommodations the Suffolk, and Metropoli-
tan railroads, respectively afford to the citizens of Boston. So far
as East Boston is concerned, the Suffolk Railroad track is for
the exclusive benefit of the citizens but, in the city proper, three
times as many cars are run over their track for the exclusive ac-
commodation of residents in Chelsea, North Chelsea, Winthrop,
Swampscott, and Lynn, as the Suffolk railroad runs cars for
the accommodation of the citizens in Wards 1 and 2. In this
respect therefore, the Suffolk railroad is as amenable to the
charge of inducing persons doing business in Boston, to live
out of the city, as the Metropolitan Railroad. The difference be-
ing that the Suffolk railroad lease their track to other compa-
nies, while the Metropolitan owns or controls all the tracks and
cars of the different roads connected with their own. The advantage
of this latter arrangement to our citizens, is, that they can
ride, within the limits of Boston, in any car, passing over the
Metropolitan railroad, for one of the Tick line tickets, of which
twenty eight are sold for a dollar. The "out of town cars" of the
Metropolitan railroad, therefore furnish the citizens of Boston with
double the accommodation than would be afforded by a railroad

644. terminating at Victoria Ave. In contradistinction to this our city
Oct. 21, 1861. you have no such privilege in the mouths of the cars, which
run over the Suffolk railroad, but are charged extra fare, if,
though haste or want of attention they happen to get into one
of the "out of town cars" on this road. Under these circumstances
the Metropolitan has a better claim to be called a City Railroad
than the Suffolk, and I would respectfully recommend to the
Board to dispense with or reduce the special tax on the cars run-
ning within the city and instead thereof equalize the fare in
all the cars which run over the Suffolk railroad. The claim based
upon the third argument, that the Suffolk railroad company ought
to be allowed the privilege, because the Board had reserved this
right when the extension was granted to the Metropolitan Rail-
road, is untenable; inasmuch as no sufficient reasons of a
public nature are alleged in justification of this claim. The Com-
mittee give no reasons in their reports, and we can only infer from
the numerous hearings and discussions upon this subject, that the
proprietors of the Suffolk railroad having been disappointed in
the remunerative haul over their legitimate route, are endeavoring,
through their agents in the Legislature and the Board of Aldermen,
to better their condition by encroaching upon the route granted to
the Metropolitan. The rights reserved, in granting the extension
to the Metropolitan railroad, have been exercised by the Board in
several instances; the Suffolk and Middlesex Companies use
that portion of the tracks in Cornhill, and the Broadway cars pass
over the entire route, without any demuror from the Metropolitan,
and in the present instance I do not know of any opposition made
by the latter company to the present Bill. Whether it is opposed or
not, I have not taken into consideration in my course of action upon

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this subject, my official duty being to protect the public interests, and to maintain for our government a character for judicious, upright and honorable legislation. His Honor the Mayor regard-
ed the provisions of this Bill as compromising the high position and inaugurating a wrong principle, but I have so long occupied the
time of the Board with the execution of various matters of action.
In closing, I cannot refrain from alluding to the routes granted to the several horse railroads, which appear to me to be exceedingly well adapted to the public convenience, and to the interest of the companies. The Metropolitan, being the first in the field has secured a profitable business through the accommodation it affords to the large and populous northern section of our city. The Broadway railroad, has the entire travel of South Boston, and the travel between Court Street and the Worcester and Old Colony railway Stations; while the Suffolk now has the entire travel of East Boston, and, also, that between Court Street and the Warren and Lowell railway Stations. I cannot conceive of any more convenient or equitable division, and, I am confident that if these companies will be content with their present routes, and will unite in promoting the wishes of the Board in regard to commutation or exchange tickets, they will be mutually benefitted, and the citizens in the various sections of the City will have no reason to complain. With these remarks I respectfully return the Bill in favor of the Suffolk railroad, without my approval, for such action on the part of the Board as they may deem expedient. John M. Nightman, Mayor. The foregoing message having been read the Board proceeded to reconsider said order and the question being stated to be on the passage of said order notwithstanding the objections of His Honor the Mayor thereto, the Law and

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646. Ayes were taken thereon as follows viz: Yeas, Aldermen Amey, Clark,
Oct 21. 1861. Gilson, Hanson, Hatch, Harmoner, Haw, Weston, Wick, Spinner, Pierce,
Hilton. 12. Ayes none. Two thirds of the Board responding in the
affirmative the order was passed.

Voters

Ordered: That due notice be given that the Voting Lists for the several Wards of the City of Boston are now completed and that copies of the same may be seen at the room of the Board of Aldermen and at the office of the Mayor, City Hall, and one copy at or near the place of voting in each Ward. All legal voters are requested to see that their names are properly registered thereon and the following persons are particularly called upon to see if their names are correctly inserted, viz: Persons who have paid a tax assessed upon them in this State within two years and who have been residents in this City since the first of May last: Persons taxed without their given names: Persons who have not received a Tax Bill for 1861: Naturalized Citizens who received their final papers before the first of September 1859. And persons who have reached their majority since the first of May last. Those persons who have not paid a tax assessed upon them within two years have no right to vote. The Board of Aldermen will attend at their room, City Hall, every day until the fourth day of September next inclusive for the purpose of inserting the names of all legal voters, which through accident or mistake may have been omitted. All persons who wish to have their names corrected or inserted must bring their Tax Bills with them.

Voters

delinquent

Ordered: That the City Treasurer designate upon the Voting Lists the names of all persons found

thereon, who have not paid a tax assessed upon them within 617
two years according to law. Said notice and protest, approved by Oct 21 1861
the Mayor October 22. 1861.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the Boston and Worcester Railroad Company, near Orange Street and Albany Street, to lay their sidetracks with Brick within twenty days. And that, in default thereof, the same will be done by the city at their expense according to law.

Ordered: That Warrants be issued for meetings of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards on Tuesday, the fifth day of November next (being the Tuesday after the first Monday in said month) at nine o'clock A.M. then and there to give in their ballots for the following State Officers, viz: a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor, and an Attorney General: Also for a Councillor to District No. One - Five Senators for the District of Suffolk, and Twenty six Representatives from the first twelve Representative Districts in said County. Also for the following County Officers for the County of Suffolk, viz: a Register of Deeds to hold his office for three years - a Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court, a Clerk of the Superior Court for civil Business, a Clerk of the Superior Court for Criminal Business, Jurors, all to hold their offices for five years - also for a District Attorney for Suffolk County in place of George W. Corley, removed; Also for a Commissioner of Insolvency in place of Samuel M. Quincy resigned, and a Commissioner of Insolvency in place of Thomas Hilditch, resigned. Also for the voters in the Fifth Congressional District to bring in their ballots for a member of Congress for said District in place of William Upshon resigned. Also for the voters of Ward One to bring in their ballots for a member of the Common Council of

Warrants
for
first meeting

178. This City from said Ward in place of Andrew Lincoln assigned.
Oct 21 1861. All the foregoing to be voted on on one ballot. The Polls to be kept
open until four and a half o'clock, P.M.

Eastern
Ward

On motion of Aldermen Spin-
new the report and votes submitted to the Board on the thirtieth
of September (being City Tax 58) were taken from the table and
Monday next at five o'clock P.M. was assigned for their further
consideration.

Grubner

On petition of Sarah P. Grubner
for permission to inter a body in the Graves Place Burial Ground,
the Committee on Cemeteries reported that it is inexpedient to
grant the same as the order of the Board of Aldermen of 1858 would
thereby be annulled and an unfavorable precedent established.
Read and accepted.

Ellis

On petition of Calvin Ellis for
permission to enter with a chain the sewer leading from a cas-
e on Main and India Streets, the Committee on Sewing re-
ported leave to withhold. Read and accepted.

Arlington

Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to grade the portions of Arlington Street ex-
tending to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and survice within
the same, the Board of Public Land Commissioners of the State
having agreed in a communication to the Superintendent of
Streets bearing date of October 14 to pay the cost of the same.
Read once.

Beacon

Street

Ordered, That the Superintend-
ent of Streets be authorized to grade the gutter and macadam
in Beacon Street between Battery and Arlington Street, in

conformity with the established grade, and remove all such
projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous;
also to close all openings into said Street not secured in ac-
cordance with the Ordinances of the City, and those which are
so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and
which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after
due notice to that effect. Read twice and passed. Approved by the
Mayor October 22. 1861.

Ordered, That the portion of the Beacon
Street
between
Western Avenue, so called, lying between Hyman's house and
the Stillwater corner of Beacon Street, be and the same hereby
is accepted and dedicated as a public highway, provided the Pe-
ter and Anthony Mill Corporation give the City of Boston a deed
of the same; and upon said deed having been given, the said
part of the highway accepted shall be known and called Bea-
con Street in continuation of the Street now so known and called.

Ordered, That there be paid to
Samuel Seed the sum of eight hundred and eighty eight
dollars for land taken to open Silver Street, between D and E
streets; upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an
acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged
to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read
once.

Adjourned to Monday next at ten o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty ninth day of October, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Gordon

Resolution of George T. Gordon for

leave to exhibit a menagerie at No. 15 Portland Street: and a remonstrance of E. L. G. Sumner and others against the same were referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Brookline

copies of proposed petitions to the

Longwood

and Longwood to incorporation by the Brookline Horse railroad

company

and by the Longwood Horse railroad Company. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Fire

Agreeably to the recommendation

Department

of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the dis-

charges

charge of Edward T. Smith from Engine company No. 1 Thomas

H. Briggs from Hook & Ladder No. 1 H. Stevens from Hook & Ladder

No. 1 and J. M. Nelson from Hook No. 5 were confirmed by the Board.

Constables

On nomination by the Mayor

Titus Warren Sulick Devine, and Robert P. Golding were ap-

pointed and confirmed as Constables of this City.

Fire

On nomination by the Mayor

Department

the following persons were admitted as members of the Fire

admission

Department, viz: Engine company No. 1. Titus T. Davis No. 2 Francis M. Traublen No. 3 Stephen A. Allen Hook & Ladder No. 1 Charles

A. Ward, Hook No. 1 Edward T. Place No. 5 William C. Merrill Hook

& Ladder No. 1 Charles A. Merrill (reman)

No person appearing to object 651

to the proposed widening of Portland Street in taking land of
Abner Anderson and the heirs of J. P. Anderson, the subject
was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

The Soldier's Relief Com-

mittee reported that there were disbursed during the month of Sep-
tember 1861, to 963 dependents the sum of nine thousand three hun-
dred and eleven dollars. Read and sent down. Common Coun-
cil. Placed on file.

Petition of Ezra Turnsworth

and others that the Hall in the former School House may
be used for a Mission Sabbath School was referred in common
council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for con-
currence. Read and concurred.

Remonstrance of the Committee

of the Normal School against and such use of the Hall of
said School House as is suggested above was referred in common
council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concu-
rence. Read and concurred.

Communication from the Au-

ditor stating that additions are needed to the appropriation for
Primaw School House was referred to the Committee on Finance.
Sent down for concurrence. October 31. Came up concurred.

Petition of Daniel B. Alley to be

compensated for injuries sustained while on duty at a fire in
milk shed June 12, 1858. Referred to the Committee on Claims.
Sent down for concurrence. October 31. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee

Oct 28. 1861 on Ordinances have permission to report in print upon the sub-
 ject of regulating the use of the hard room for primary meet-
 ing. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 31. Came up concurred. Ap-
 proved by the Mayor Nov. 1. 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee on

Public Buildings be authorized to contract with Sylvanus J. Den-
 is a member of the City Council, for supplying iron-work for the
 new Police Station in 1st Street, the firm of Denis and Roberts being
 the lowest bidder for said work. Read twice and passed. Sent down
 for concurrence. Oct. 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
 Nov. 1. 1861.

Hawes Fund
 School

The Committee on Public Build-

ings, to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of the Hawes
 Fund for the use of the hard room in Ward Twelve for an ev-
 ening school, have considered the same and would recom-
 mend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Com-
 mittee, Wm. Weston, Chairman. Ordered: That the use of the
 hard room in Ward Twelve be and hereby is granted under the
 direction of the Committee on Public Buildings to the Trustees
 of the Hawes Fund, for an Evening School. Passed in Common
 Council. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 30. 1861.

Latin School

The Committee on Public Buildings

to whom was referred a communication from the Committee
 of the Latin School requesting more accommodation for the
 scholars of that school have considered the same and would
 respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying or-
 der. For the Committee, Wm. Weston, Chairman. Ordered: That

the Committee on Public Buildings &c and they hereby are 653.
authorized to hire a suitable room in the neighborhood of the Latin School House for the accommodation of the chairs of the Latin School, and to fit up the same for occupancy at a cost not exceeding five hundred dollars, the same to be charged to the appropriation for Grammar Schools. Read in Common Council, Come up to concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. October 30. 1861

The works on the Public Garden having thus far been completed in conformity with the plan adopted by the City Council, and the appropriation for the same being exhausted, the Committee on the Common and Public Squares, under whose direction they have to the present year been conducted, and the expenditures made desire to render an account of their Stewardship in the affair, and to ask for further aid in order that the design contemplated may be carried out, the wishes of the community complied with, and a beautiful landscape garden, complete in all its parts, within and without, be presented to them which shall be worthy of their acceptance. The old wooden fence is dilapidated, tumbling in, and has become an unsightly object around the garden it encloses. A good opportunity now offers to replace it by a handsome iron structure, at a very low price. Iron is selling extremely cheap, and laborers are beginning to work at reduced wages. So favorable an opportunity will not present itself again. The Committee make the following report. At the commencement of the financial year then was in the Treasury a balance to the credit of the Public Garden Fund, for the

Public
Garden
Fund

1844. Three thousand nine hundred and fifty eight dollars and
Oct 28, 1844 seventy cents. From this have been paid the following sums:—

To Mr. Shannon on contract for filling, grading, &c., \$21,976.25

To Mr. Shannon for work not in his contract 1,779.05

To sundries for earth filling and plank sidewalks, 454.90

For trees, plants, and seeds, 763.33

For learning, and for hose pipe 254.00

For curbs for pond and fountains 2,729.80

For fences and stakes 174.92

For day labor 4500.00

For removing green house 1221.14

To E. Sherman for six months 6428.44

For engineering and stakes 263.57

There are unpaid bills to come in, about 3,032.32

Making a total expenditure of \$43,283.88

And leaving a balance of 664.82

which will be absorbed by labor during the present and another week. In the Spring the Committee advertised for proposals for filling, grading the garden, &c. and for finishing the pond therein, to be completed on a round sum, in one job, by the first of September. Twelve competitors made application, their bids varying from fifty one thousand down to twenty two thousand dollars. The Committee awarded the work to Mr. Timothy Shannon for the sum of twenty one thousand, six hundred and seventy six dollars ^{25/100}. The contract has been fulfilled in the most satisfactory manner, and in time. Five beautiful granite basins with fountains, built by Mr. Abner Sherman, in his usual faithful and exact style, have their locations in compliance with the plan. Flowering trees, shrubs, and plants of the most choice kind, have been purchased, and are

now being placed in the ground. The trees of the lawn and park
beds have been sowed, and iron can supplied to the new plant Oct 28/86
and has, from the city lands in South Boston, at the expense of cart-
ing and shading only. The management of the work operations has
been to date. The Committee have been careful to employ no
but tax paying citizens of Boston upon the work, thereby keeping
some of our own industries for from Sea Island. Unable to
at home. The State is obliged to care for those who are not tax
payers. The work contemplated, and for which the Committee
ask an appropriation will enable us to employ our own me-
chanics and laborers at favorable rates for the City, and at
the same time to bestow a charity where it will be well de-
sired. The Committee do not believe the stopping of public
enterprises in times of depression is a wise policy but that the con-
sensus is the judicious one. As a good investment would do; invest
money well, at low rates, and reap the benefit thereof in the
increased value of the investment in the return of property.
The handsome iron fence, similar to the drawings presented though
perhaps not the same, would cost about \$2500. The surface of
the interior and the sidewalks around the garden would cost
\$7500 more, making \$10,000, which the Committee ask may
be appropriated. They ask the passage of the following order.
For the Committee, Thomas F. Rich Chairman. Ordered: That the
City Treasurer be, and he hereby is, authorized to borrow, un-
der the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of Thirty
thousand dollars, to be appropriated to the construction of an
iron fence and to laying a brick sidewalk around the Public
Garden, and for the finishing of the same. Read twice & passed
with this amendment at 2 o'clock thirty insert Two. Last session

856. Brown Clark, John Tanson, John Burmonter, Guy Foster, Peice,
Oct. 28. 1861. Rich, Spinnay, Milton 12. None. Sent down for concurrence.

Primary
School House
in
South Boston

The Committee on Public Build-
ings, who have in charge the erection of a new Primary School
House at South Boston under the order of the City Council would
respectfully Report: That they have made the purchase of the
lot of land at the corner of Fifth and S. Street, as directed by the
City Council, and are prepared to proceed with the construction
of a School House; but owing to causes which were not foreseen
either by the school committee or the City Council, the attendance
upon the Primary Schools of South Boston has very lately been
reduced to a considerable extent, so much indeed as to make
the present school room ample for the accommodation of all
the pupils who present themselves for instruction. It therefore
seems unwise to go on with the proposed new building, and the
Committee recommend the passage of the accompanying order.
For the committee, John Foster, Chairman. Ordered: That the
committee on Public Buildings be and they are directed to dis-
continue all proceedings in relation to the erection of a Primary
School House on the lot corner of Fifth and S. Street, in ac-
cordanee with Council. Read and accepted. Aime up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. October 30. 1861.

Cheney.

The Board of Land commis-
sioners to whom was referred the petition of Charles Cheney for an
extension of time for payment for land on Norwester Square, having
induly considered the same would respectfully submit the
following Report. That the petitioner have leave to withdraw

For the Commissioners Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Read and ac- 657.
cepted. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 31 came up, concurred. Oct. 28, 1861

The Inspectors of Prisons submitted to the Board their report on the condition of the inmates of the Jail, Boston Lunatic Hospital, House of Correction, House of Industry and House of Reformation for December, 1860, January, February, and March 1861. Sent on the table and ordered to be printed.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took from the table the report and action in relation to the expediency of constructing the eastern Avenue from the vicinity of the foot of Summer Street to L Street, South Boston - and the question being on the passage of the said report as recorded page 594. Alderman Pease presented to the Board the remonstrance of the Boston Board of Trade against immediate action on this matter and he moved to postpone the subject for two weeks - and the Yeas and Nays being demanded thereon they were taken as follows, 173: Yeas. Aldermen Amory, Clark, Gibson, Hanson and Pease 5 Nays. Aldermen Hatch, Fremont, Shaw, Weston, Rich, Spenny and Wilson. So said motion to postpone did not prevail. The question then recurred on the passage of the said report. Alderman Pease moved for a division of the question, so that action might be taken upon the report separately, which motion prevailed. The question being accordingly taken on the passage of the said report, it was adopted by the following vote. Yeas. Aldermen Amory, Clark, Gibson, Hanson, Fremont, Pease, Shaw, Weston, Rich, Spenny, Wilson. 11 Nays. Alderman Hatch. Sent down for concurrence.

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Eastern
Avenue.
Second Order

The question then being taken

in the passage of the second order, the Yeas and Nays were taken
Yeas Aldermen: Hutch, Garmenter, Shaw, Rich,
Ginnery, Wilson & Nays Aldermen: Amory, Chick, Gibson, Hanson, Rince,
Weston. Second order was not adopted.

Linden
Street

Ordered: That the orders adopted

October 21. and approved by the Mayor Oct 22, respecting the ac-
ceptance of Linden Street be and the same are hereby rescinded.
Ordered: That Linden Street be laid out forty feet wide running
from South Street to Thomas Street be and the same hereby is
dedicated as a public highway upon a deed of the same being
given to the City of Boston by Benjamin and George B. Ames, the
owners thereof. Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be
authorized to have the gutters in said Linden Street as soon as
the edgestones are furnished. in said Street. Read twice & passed.
Approved by the Mayor Oct. 30. 1861.

Chlington
Street

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board to the Superintendent of Streets to grade the
Commonwealth's portion of Chlington Street at the expense of the
State, in per agreement with the State Commissioners, was
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Oct. 30
1861.

Greets

The order submitted at the last

meeting of the Board to pay Samuel Gault eight hundred
and eighty eight dollars for land taken to extend Silver Street
was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
October 30. 1861.

The order submitted at the 659.

last meeting of the Board for the acceptance of a portion of
Quincy Street on the Mill Lane side of the Lyman house
was read a second time and was amended by inserting at
"a point distant 140 feet westerly from" and was then adopted
Approved by the Mayor Oct. 20. 1861

The Bonds of the following Constables
having been satisfactory to the City Treasurer were
approved by the Board of Aldermen viz. Amos Winson, an
and 6. Hugo. Albert G. Duves. Thomas F. Wilson. Ephraim I. Eliot.
Alexander Hopkins, Eben S. Gay, Henry Nichols John A. James
Pierce and Francis W. Sulfinch. Said bonds were also approved by
the Mayor October 20. 1861

Ordered: That the Committee
on Finance be directed to enquire and report if any and what
amount of money has been paid to members of the Fire Depart-
ment in violation of the Ordinances of the City of Boston. Passed
in Common Council. Come up for concurrence. Read and laid
on the table on motion of Alderman Hatch.

Ordered: That the twenty foot
passageway leading from Newmut Avenue through to Rutland
Street, as shown upon a plan shown by James Hyde, City Engineer,
and dated October 26th 1861 be accepted by the City and Finance.
Said passageway be placed in charge of the Board of Alder-
men. Read twice and passed.

Agreeable to the report of the
Committee on Finance Henry Whitwell and John Fulton were
appointed Auctioneers, the former at 14 Cement Street and the

660 letter at No 482 Washington Street.

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Market
Board

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Market the transfer of Hall's St. New Market from J. C. Quincy to Sullivan Hill was approved by the Board.

Stark
Street

Whereas, it appears to this Board that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer in Stark Street, between Sullivan and Goddard Streets, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to construct a common sewer in said Stark Street between Sullivan and Goddard Streets, and to report a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 31. 1861.

New York
Central
Railroad

Whereas the Superior Court for criminal business in the county of Suffolk did decree and determine on the 21st day of September last that the nuisance existing along the line of the Boston and New York Central Rail Road, caused by excavations made along the side of their road or road bed "is created or removed in the name of the county at the expense of the said Railroad Corporation, under the direction of the Board of Health of the City of Boston." Therefore Ordered: That the Committee on Internal Health be and they are hereby directed to report to this Board a proper and feasible plan for the removal or abatement of said nuisance.

Internal
Sanitation

Ordered: That the Superintendent be and he is hereby authorized and requested to discharge the mortgage given to the City of Boston in the Sumner and Fifth

now on a lot of land in Framingham, which mortgage is re-
corded with Middlesex (south) deed Vol. 808, fol. 564. The note for
which said mortgage was given having been fully paid. Read
twice and passed.

The Committee on the Assessors' Head

Department, to whom was referred the order of the City Council
directing them to report what should be paid to an estate of
the late George E. Head, as he was as one of the Assessors. The
Assessors have considered the subject and beg leave to recommend
the passage of the accompanying order to the Committee. John
F. Pray, Chairman. Ordered: That the salary of George E. Head, late
Principal Assessor, to July 1st 1861 be paid to the Administrators of
his estate. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superinten-

dent of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to extend the
common Sewer in Salem Street towards Richmond Street, as
asked for in the petition of William Hunt, provided he agrees to
pay three fourths of the cost of the same. Read once.

The Committee on the Assessors' Home

Department, to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees
of the Home for Aged Men for remission of taxes, have considered
the same and would respectfully recommend the passage of
the accompanying order to the Committee. John F. Pray, Chairman.
Ordered: That the Trustees be and they are directed to re-
mit to Robert Harding, the Trustees of the Home for Aged Men
the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars and thereunto
the same being the amount of taxes assessed on the estate.

Wm 17th South Street, for the year 1861. Read once

Adjourned to Tuesday, Nov. 5. at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Fifth day of November, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present.

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Kelly

Petition of James Kelly for an Intelligence Office at 926 Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Fuller

Petition of L. L. Fuller for an extension of his Omnibus Line to the North End. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Eastern
Rail Road

Petition of Eastern Railroad Company that certain plans concerning the location of their entire line of road, which were filed with this Board many years ago may be referred to said Company. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Gain

Petition of Peter Gain for the grade of West Market Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Boston
Horse Railroad
Company

Copy of a proposed petition by the Boston Horse Railroad Company for incorporation, with power to run cars and use any horse rail road track in this City. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Bebe
His Street

Petition of J. M. Bebe and others that His Street may be accepted and paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Adams School
Kerosene

Remonstrance of Adams School District Committee against the proposed erection of Kerosene

oil Works in the vicinity of said School House; also the remon- 665
strance of Samuel Hall and many other citizens against the
same. Referred to the committee on School South
Nov. 5. 1861

Whereas, in the opinion of
the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants re-
quire that Boylston Street adjoining the Public Garden should be
widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, that public notice be given
that this Board intend to widen the said before mentioned, by tak-
ing a portion of the said Garden and laying out the same
as a public street - and that Monday, the eleventh day of No-
vember instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time
for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Boylston
Street

Whereas, in the opinion of the
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require
that Sandwich Street should be straightened it is therefore
by Order, that due notice be given in public newspapers to Thomas
Sale, Thomas C. Calver, Trustees of the estate of the late R. F. Bred,
and William G. Russell as Agent of the said parties, that this
Board intend to straighten the said before mentioned, by taking
a portion of their land and laying out the same as a public
street - and that Monday, the eleventh day of November instant
at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any
objections which may be made thereto.

Sandwich
Street

Whereas, in the opinion
of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants
require that Middle Street should be extended to Dorchester
Avenue, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that public notice be

Middle
Street

664 given that this Board intend to extend the Street before men-
tioned, by taking portions of land a part of the city and
since and laying out the same as a public Street and that
Monday, the eighteenth day of November instant at four
o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objec-
tions which may be made thereto.

Cross

Whereas Andrew Manning

Street.

has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect build-
ings on Cross Street, East Boston, in the said City; and, in the
opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the in-
habitants require that the said street should be widened at the
place described in the said notice, and that said street be ac-
cepted and laid out as a public highway, it is therefore hereby
Ordered, that due notice be given to the said Manning and Lu-
cile S. Keenough that this Board intend to widen the street before
mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built
upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public
street and that Monday, the eleventh day of November
instant at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hear-
ing any objections which may be made thereto.

Sumner

Ordered, that due notice be

Street.

given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock
P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing
a Common Sewer in Sumner Street between Sumner and
Webster Streets and of assessing the expense thereof on all
persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such
Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall
derive any benefit therefrom. The Board making objections thereto

to, will then and there be heard.

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The Superintendent of the Market reported that for the last quarter he had received and paid to the City Treasurer as rent for stalls and booths in the Market the sum of sixteen thousand three hundred and thirty dollars and forty one cents. Read and placed on file

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Market

The City Clerk reported that for the last quarter he had received and paid into the City Treasury for amounting to three hundred and twenty five dollars and ninety five cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file

City Clerk

The City Registrar reported that for the last quarter he had received and paid into the City Treasury for amounting to one hundred and thirty three dollars and fifty cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file

City Registrar

The Hayweigher at the North Scale reported that for the quarter ending with October 31st he had received for amounting to six hundred and twenty seven dollars and thirty eight cents, fifty per cent of which he had paid to the Association for Adult Evening School. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file

Hayweigher

Petition of H. H. Lewis & others that the line of Linwood Place adjoining the new School house may be straightened. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Lewis

for 1861

Lakin

abatement of the tax for the year 1861. Referred to the Committee on the Finance Department. Sent down for concurrence. It came up concurred.

Home

for

and

The report and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the abatement of the tax assessed upon the Home for the aged, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. November 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor November 15. 1861.

Brownfield

Petition of J. B. Brownfield

that certain taxes erroneously assessed upon, and paid by, him were refunded. Referred to the Committee on the Finance Department. Sent down for concurrence. It came up concurred.

Harrison

Harrison

Hinkley

Ordered: That the Committee

on laying out and widening Streets be and they hereby are authorized to purchase (if they shall judge it expedient to do so) a lot of land situate on Harrison Avenue, containing three thousand six hundred and twenty two square feet, for the purpose of widening Harrison Avenue on the estate of James Hinkley and Company, provided the cost thereof shall not exceed the sum of four thousand and twenty eight and no dollars; and that such sum as may be paid be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Institution

A communication was received

from the Board of Directors for Public Institutions, regarding

ing an appropriation of Twenty Thousand Dollars to build
a wharf on Second Street and build the
Steam Boat Wharf. Read and referred to the Committee on
Institutions &c. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 7. Came up con-
curred.

Bill of S. D. Tucker for
the enactment of an Ordinance to prohibit boys from sitting
on the steps of Omnibuses. Referred to the Committee on Edi-
nances. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 7. Came up concurred.

The Board of Land Com-
missioners respectfully represent that in conformity with
the order passed by the City Council, July 8th 1861, the same
in relation to the South Bay which was commenced by
man M. Nimby and Charles Emerson a percentage with
the City having date of April 2^d 1861, and abandoned by them
on the 21st day of May has been computed at an expense of
forty eight hundred and eighty two dollars and ninety six
cents, and in accordance with the order said sum is to be
charged to Messrs Nimby and Emerson. With the consent
of the said parties each portion of the materials found upon
the premises and bringing to them as could be used in the
completion of said sewer have been employed on the same.
For the Commissioners, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 7. Came up concurred.

Ordered: That the following
bills for materials or labor furnished by persons connected di-
rectly or indirectly with the City Government, be paid pro-
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Bills
to be paid

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for 1861 viz: Napoleon Dur Ten one thousand eighty one dol-
lar and eighty three cents. Jos Clark three hundred ninety
dollars and ninety six cents. Joly dollars and sixty eight
cents. Bert Gordon fifty three dollars and fifty three cents.
Genio and Roberts five hundred and forty five dollars and
eighty four cents; four hundred and nineteen dollars and nine-
teen cents; thirty four dollars and ninety six cents. J. C. Fallon sixty
three dollars and eighty eight cents. Francis Richards six hundred
and fifty seven dollars and six cents. C. A. Richards twelve dol-
lar and sixty four cents and forty two dollars and twenty one
cents. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence Nov 7.
Lame up concurred. Approved by the Mayor November 15 1861.

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The Committee on the Assessors
Department to whom was referred the petition of Boyce & Rich-
ard for abatement of their assessment of land on personal estate
for the present year, would respectfully Report: That the statement
of the petitioners upon which they base their claim for abatement
is not such a statement as the law requires. Upon the presentation
of a proper schedule of their estates to the assessors, which they
still have an opportunity of doing, the assessment will of course
be changed to correspond therewith. The Committee therefore recom-
mend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Commit-
tee, John B. May, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for
concurrence November 7. Lame up concurred.

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The report and order sub-
mitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay the salary

the late George A. Hunt to the Administration of his estate in the
month ending July 1st 1861, was read a second time and
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 12. Came up concurred. Ap-
proved by the Mayor, Dec. 13. 1861.

The Committee on the Estates of the Deceased
Department a motion was reported the petition of the
estate of George A. Hunt, Thorne-like, deceased, for leave to
leave to Report: That it does not now appear that the estate
of Mr. Thorne-like has paid taxes upon his large valuation, and
inasmuch as there was ample opportunity for the agents of that
estate to make timely correction of any error in that respect which
they failed to use, the Committee would recommend that the
petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John B.
Pray, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Nov. 7. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Finance having
this day considered the Auditor's communication of the tenth
of October asking for additional appropriation for the inci-
dental expense of Grammar and Primary Schools have voted
unanimously to recommend to the City Council the passage
of the annual vote. For the Committee, Nath. Brewer, Chair-
man. Pro tem. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is
authorized to draw, under the direction of the Committee on
Finance, the sum of forty six thousand dollars, and that one
half of the same be added to the appropriation to Grammar
Schools and the other half to that for Primary Schools. Passed
in Common Council. Jan. 26. 1862. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Ayes Aldermen Ames, Clark, Gilson, Han-
son, Hatch, Hermon, Rice, May, Weston, Rich, Spence

670 and Wilson, 12. Nay none. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 5. 1861.

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Amosworth

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The Committee on Public Buildings

and Amosworth was upon the petition of Isaac Amosworth and others for the use of the Ward Room in Amosworth Hall for a Sabbath School, and the remonstrance of the Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church against the same, have considered the subject and would respectfully report. That as the petitioners have heretofore had the use of the Ward Room, and they now offer to keep it in order free of expense to the City, during the time of their use of it, the Committee are in favor of permitting them to occupy it during the present year, and they recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, James Weston, Chairman. Ordered: That the use of the Ward Room in Amosworth Hall be granted to Isaac Amosworth and others, for occupying the same as a Sabbath School, in Amosworth Hall during the present year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 5. 1861.

Winthrop

Place

Dorchester Street

Ordered: That the Mayor be

and he hereby is, authorized, if he shall deem it expedient, to execute an Indenture between Isaac Rich and John C. Pratt, and the City of Boston with such covenants as will secure to the said Rich and Pratt, their heirs and assigns, the sole right to excavate under the sidewalks of Winthrop Place, so called, on their giving to the City of Boston a plan of the place of the said Winthrop Place. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor - November 5. 1861.

The Bonds of William Fine 871

and of Patrick Larine, Constables, having been satisfactory to the City Council were approved at the same time. Also approved by the Mayor Nov. 5. 1861.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to extend the Salem Street sewer towards Richmond Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 5. 1861.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be directed to remove the dead horse standing in Franklin Street between Murray and Rich Streets. Read twice and passed.

Aldermen Spinney and Purminster were appointed a Committee to examine the returns of votes given this day for State Officers.

A remonstrance from the Board of Consulting Physicians against certain proposed changes in the plan of the City Hospital. Read and referred to the Committee on the City Hospital. Sent down for concurrence.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was recommended the order of notice dated Dec 2. 1860 as to widening Lincoln Street, report that they have fully considered the matter, but have delayed to recommend the widening for the reason that the damages claimed by the owners of the land and houses ^{are} deemed to be exorbitant. The Committee now, notwithstanding such claims are made, do leave to submit the question whether the widening shall

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take place at the present time or not, and ask the Board to take such action as it may judge to be expedient. The amount claimed and presented before the Committee for land and damages for widening said street is made up as follows as per statements of the respective claimants.

For 667 square feet of land at \$30 per square foot	\$ 20,010.00
Less damages as per claim Farwell & Co	10,125 00
Burton	150.00
Burman	50.00
Cochran	200.00
Charles Glinson	4000.00

making the total cost for the proposed widening of the street \$30,385.00
For the Committee, Elias Pierce, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Sindall
Street

Admiral Spinney thereupon submitted to the Board the following order. Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets be and they are hereby instructed to report a resolve and order for the widening of Sindall Street in accordance with a plan of the premises made by James Hude, City Engineer, dated Nov. 1, 1861. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 9, 1861.

Spiegel

Ordered: That there be paid to Leopold Spiegel and Charles Hux the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars, for damages sustained by the proposed widening of Richardson Street at \$572 and for setting back to the proposed line of widening of said street their buildings and for all their rights as owners on the border estate on said street outside of said line as per plan of the City Engineer.

upon their giving to the City an acquittance and discharge and 673.
release as aforesaid for all damages, costs and expense in con- Nov. 5. 1861
sequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for laying out and widening streets and once

Ordered: That the Superinten- Concord
dent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and macadam-
ize Concord Street between Shawmut Avenue and Walnut Street
in conformity with the established grade, and remove all
such projections on the line of said street as are found to be
dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not se-
cured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Estimated
cost three hundred dollars. Subd. That the Chief of Police be
directed to notify the abutters on said Street, to lay their side-
walks with brick, within ten days. And that, in default thereof,
the same will be done by the City, at their expense, ac-
cording to law. Read once.

The Committee on the Assessors' Department
Department
Department respectfully represent that during the current
year the Assessors will be called upon to prepare and present
to the State Authorities a detailed statement of the rents and
personal estate taxed in the City of Boston. A statement show-
ing the aggregate of such assessment has always been return-
ed once in ten years, but by an act of the Legislature, a com-
plete transcript of the individual assessment is now required.
In order to prepare the same a clerical force will be re-
quired, to provide for which an additional appropriation will
be necessary. It is thought that twenty five hundred dollars will
cover the whole additional expense, and the Committee recom-

67th. and the passage of the accompanying order for the committee.
Jan. 5. 1861. Resolved, That the sum of twenty
five hundred dollars be added to the appropriation for
Black Hall in the Finance Department and the same be charged
to the appropriation for Salaries. Read once.

Federal

Street

Towers

Brushing

Resolved, That the safety and
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Fed-
eral Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is nec-
essary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said
City, a parcel of land belonging to the heirs of Isaac Fox, bound-
ed as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widen-
ing of the said street, there measuring twenty seven feet
and 100: Northwardly by Channing Street, three feet and $\frac{7}{10}$ 100:
Westwardly by the present line of Federal Street, twenty seven feet
and Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from
the heirs of Brushing, two feet and $\frac{7}{10}$ 100: containing ninety one
square feet and $\frac{25}{100}$ more or less. Also, a parcel of land belong-
ing to the heirs of Brushing, bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly
by the proposed line of widening of Federal Street, there
measuring thirty two feet: Northwardly by land above describ-
ed as taken from the heirs of Isaac Fox, and by the present
line of Federal Street, three feet and $\frac{89}{100}$ 100: Westwardly by the
present line of Federal Street, thirty one feet and $\frac{44}{100}$ 100: and
Southwardly by land of Samuel Phillips four feet and $\frac{7}{10}$ 100:
containing one hundred and twenty six square feet and $\frac{44}{100}$
more or less. And whereas due notice has been given of the in-
tention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the
purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed.

It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described
be and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public
street or way of the said city according to a plan of the said
widening made by James Wade city engineer, dated Nov^r 2^d 1861
and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And
this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said
Federal Street, as aforesaid, will amount to two thousand dollars:
which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous
alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present
municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.
Read once.

Resolved That the safety &
convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Fed-
eral Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is neces-
sary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said
city, a parcel of land belonging to the heirs of J. P. Henderson.
bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the proposed line
of widening of the said street, then measuring thirty nine
feet and $\frac{75}{100}$: Northwardly by land of A. H. Freeman one
foot and $\frac{63}{100}$: Northwestwardly by the present line of the said street
thirty nine feet and $\frac{700}{100}$: and Southeastwardly to land of William
Hindol, Jr. Justice, one foot and $\frac{100}{100}$: containing fully by square
feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the
intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the
purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed.
It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described
be and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public
street or way of the said city according to a plan of the
said widening made by James Wade, city engineer dated

Resolved
That

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Nov. 4, 1861, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Portland Street, as aforesaid, will amount to one hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in that street during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once

Resolved,
That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Federal Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street, out of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the heirs of Jabez Holden, bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of the said street, there measuring seventy six feet and $\frac{25}{100}$: Northwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from the heirs of Andrew Drake, four feet and $\frac{100}{100}$: and Eastwardly by the present line of the said street, on an irregular line, seventy six feet and $\frac{94}{100}$: Containing two hundred and eighty square feet and $\frac{90}{100}$, more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to the heirs of Andrew Drake, bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of the said street there measuring fifty four feet and $\frac{70}{100}$: Northwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from the heirs of William Coldard, nine feet and $\frac{85}{100}$: Eastwardly by the present line of the said street, fifty four feet and $\frac{95}{100}$: and Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from the heirs of Jabez Holden, five feet and $\frac{62}{100}$: Containing three hundred and ninety four square feet and $\frac{10}{100}$, more or less. Also, a parcel of land belonging to

Holden

Drake

Coldard

the side of William Redden, bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of said street, there measuring thirty feet and $\frac{5}{8}$: Northwardly by a passageway ten feet and $\frac{9}{10}$: Eastwardly by the present line of the said street, thirty feet and $\frac{5}{8}$: and Southwardly by land above described as taken from the heirs of Andrew Duke, nine feet and $\frac{1}{10}$ containing three hundred and twenty nine square feet and $\frac{8}{10}$, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears in the return hereto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and the same hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Gale, City Engineer dated Sept. 16. 1861, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said street there aforesaid, will amount to Eight Thousand Dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.
Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Lincoln Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Maria Spear and others bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of the said street, there measuring fifty

Lincoln

Street

Spear

878. Oct and 100: Eastwardly by land hereinafter described as belong-
Nov. 5. 1861 ing to the city of Boston, thirteen feet and $\frac{119}{100}$: Southwardly by
the present line of the said street, fifty feet and $\frac{5}{100}$: and West-
wardly by corner said street, thirteen feet and $\frac{2}{100}$: containing six
hundred and sixty eight square feet and $\frac{43}{100}$, more or less
city of
Boston. also, a parcel of land belonging to the city of Boston, bounded
as follows, viz: Southwardly by the proposed line of widening
of Lindall Street, there measuring $\frac{67}{100}$ of a foot: Eastwardly by
the present line of Linden Street, thirteen feet and $\frac{50}{100}$: South-
wardly by the same $\frac{67}{100}$ of a foot: and Westwardly by land above
described as taken from Maria Spear, thirteen feet and $\frac{119}{100}$: con-
taining nine square feet, more or less. And whereas, due notice
has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said
parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the re-
turn hereto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels
of land here described be, and the same hereby are, taken and
laid out as a public street or way of the said city according to
a plan of the said widening made by James Hyde, city engineer,
dated Nov. 1. 1861, and deposited in the office of the Ward of North
men. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widen-
ing the said Lindall Street, as aforesaid, will amount to twenty
five thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of
estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street,
during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of ten
thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at four o'clock, PM

At a meeting of the Board of 679
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday
the seventh day of November, Anno Domini 1861

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen May,
Clark, Preston, Gibson, and Hatch.

The Committee appointed to ex- 680

amine the returns of votes cast on the fifth instant for State
and County Officers, report that they have attended to that duty
and that the results of the election are correctly recorded in the
book kept for that purpose; and they recommend that the usual
certificates of the election be transmitted to the Secretary of the Com-
monwealth pursuant to law. It appears from the records that the
following persons have been duly elected Representatives from 681
this City to the next General Court, viz: District No. 1. Cornelius To-
herty. George M. Rice. District No. 2. Austin Gore, Josiah M. Neal. Simon
A. Stevens. District No. 3. James A. Hunton. John E. Lynn. District No. 4.
Robert S. Buckner, Cornelius Walker. District No. 5. Edward Brown.
Harvey Furtie. District No. 6. Elias H. Chandler, Benjamin Stevens.
District No. 7. Charles J. McLaughlin. James Riley. District No. 8. John S.
Tyler, Eben Cutler. District No. 9. Daniel S. Garden, George H. Morris.
District No. 10. Abel Belthrop, Samuel A. Gibben. District No. 11. Fran-
cis J. Parker, George Eaton. District No. 12. Albert J. Wright, William Am-
ey, and Libron Hubbard. The Committee recommend that the
foregoing persons be notified of their election by the City Clerk. A
specimens submitted. Saml A. Pinney, Sec. R. Carpenter, Committee.
Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

November 7. 1861. Horace Dodd, mem-

common
Council
member
qualified

ber elected to the Common Council from Ward N^o 1. in place of
John Stinson, resigned, appeared accompanied by his col-
league, John Lucas, before the undersigned City Clerk, who, in
the presence of His Honor the Mayor, administered to him the
oaths of office prescribed by law.

Sam^l M^l Leary

City Clerk & Jus. of Peace

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the
seventh day of December, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Thompson

Petition of Frank J. Thomp-

son to leave to exhibit some natural curiosities at N^o 301 Stan-
cock Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Powers

Petition of Powers Cook & Co. and

Stone

others - also of W. H. Stone & Co. and others that the license fee of ten
dollars paid by new resident hackmen and others may be refund-
ed. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Sumner

Petition of Trustees of estate of

Timothy A. Sumner to be paid for land taken to widen Humberg
Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Scavin

Petition of James Scavin for leave

to construct a canal at No. 100. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

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Petition of David H. Jacobs & others that the sidewalks on East Springfield Street may be laid. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Jacobs

Petition of Mary Jarvis to be compensated for damages sustained by change of grade in Springfield Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Jarvis

Petition of Edward Payson and others that Montgomery Street may be accepted as a public highway. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Payson

A communication was received from the Suffolk Railroad Company wherein for reasons stated they decline to accept the location granted to said Company on the 21st ultimo. Read and referred to the Committee on Paving.

Suffolk
Railroad

Petition of John Holton and others that the Fourth Street sewer may be extended below Q. Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Holton

Petition of Samuel M^r Williams and others that lamps be placed and lighted in Meridian Street, near Lexington Street. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

M^r Williams

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a sewer in Lamson Street. Said

Lamson
Street

682. subject was referred to the Committee on Sewers.

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Saratoga
Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed straightening of the line of Saratoga Street by taking land of the trustees of R. B. Reed's estate: said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Cross
Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Cross Street at East Boston by taking land of David I. Greenough, said subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets.

Fire
Alarms

Notice was received from the Common Council that Horace Dodd was appointed on the Committee on Fire Alarms in place of Andrew Winsworth resigned.

Assessors'
Department
Clerk hire

The report and order submitted at the meeting of the Board on the fifth instant to appropriate twenty five hundred dollars for clerk hire in the Assessors' Department, were read a second time and passed. Sent down in concurrence. Nov. 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
November 16. 1861.

Appropriations

The Committee on Finance having considered the Auditor's communication of the 28th ultimo respectfully recommend to the City Council the passage of the annexed order. For the Committee, Elias Rice, Chairman, pro tem. Resolved: That the sum of twenty seven hundred dollars be transferred from the appropriation for Grammar School Houses to that for Primary School Houses. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor.
November 16. 1861.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be 683.

and he is hereby authorized to borrow under the direction of the committee on Finance the sum of five thousand dollars and that the same be appropriated for the purpose of completing the grading of the Public Garden and also for the purchase of trees & shrubs, and planting the same therein. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 37. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas. Aldermen Elmore, Clark, Wilson, Hanson, Hulch, Gummer, Gray, Rich, Peice, Spinney, Wilson. 11. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor November 15. 1861.

A communication from the Auditor stating that an appropriation will be needed for Printing and Stationery to meet the expenditures which will be necessary during the present financial year, was referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Common Council having amended the order of reference of the communication of the Consulting Physicians to the Committee on Free City Hospital, by adding thereto "and the Committee on Public Buildings". Said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The resolve and order submitted to the Board on the fifth instant to widen Lindall Street by taking land of Maria Dear and others were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 22. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. November 22. 1861.

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Eastern

Avenue

tee of the City Council be appointed to confer with the City Solicitor and ascertain through him the exact position of the City regarding damages that may ensue from trespass upon private rights in the construction of the Eastern Avenue project, and that the City Solicitor be requested to give his opinion in writing: and that the Committee be requested to report by meeting next and Messrs C. L. Richards, Wardman, and Stockwell were appointed said Committee on the part of the Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred, and Aldermen Parmenter and Clark were joined. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 15. 1861.

Federal

Street

The resolve and order submitted at the meeting of the Board on the fifth instant to widen Federal Street by taking land of the heirs of George Hatch Andrew Duke and the heirs of William Goldard, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Portland

Street

The resolve and order submitted at the meeting of the Board on the fifth instant to widen Portland Street by taking land of the heirs of J. P. Wenden, were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 15. 1861.

Hillbrook

Methodist
Episcopal
Church
clock

The Committee on Bells and Clocks to whom was referred the petition of Jesse Hillbrook and others that a clock may be placed in the tower of the Methodist Episcopal Church on Tremont Street respectfully report that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted. They also report that the clock and apparatus annexed therewith

which is now located upon the Sea Island House at Sea Island
can be used for this purpose. This clock is in fine order and the Direc-
tors for Public Institutions are willing that it should be removed, as it
is entirely unnecessary for their purposes. The Committee therefore
recommend the passage of the following order, to the Committee,
E. J. Wilson, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Bells
and Clocks be and they are hereby authorized to remove, with
the consent of the Board of Directors for Public Institutions, the
clock and apparatus from the Sea Island House and to
place the same in the tower of the Methodist Episcopal Church
on Fremont Street; and any expense attending the same shall
be charged to the appropriation for Bells and Clocks. Read twice
and passed. Approved by the Mayor. November 15. 1861.

On motion of Alderman Spinnay
the Board took from the table the order submitted on the 11th
of May last, authorizing the Superintendent of Sewers to con-
struct a sewer in Lovershine and 4th Street on condition
that James M. Beebe pay three fourths of the expense of the same;
and said order was passed. Approved by the Mayor. Nov. 15. 1861.

Ordered: That the Committee
on Bridges be and they are hereby directed to repair the por-
tions of Lovershine Bridge and to rebuild the Boat House
and Shed thereon which were injured by fire on the tenth in-
stant; at an expense not exceeding six hundred dollars to be
charged to the appropriation for Bridges. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor. November 15. 1861.

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Hollins
Erie and
Union Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grant to Charles H. Hollins, agent of the City of Erie, a permit to open Erie and Union Streets, to place paving stones upon said streets, April, agreeing in writing that the City of Erie may at any time and without notice thereof, remove the whole or any part of said paving to make improvements or for other purposes, also to repair all damages to curbs and drains in doing said work. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 15, 1861.

Oneida
Street
grade

Ordered: That the Board adopt the grade of Oneida Street between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street as shown on a plan and profile made by James H. Hyde City Engineer, dated Nov. 11, 1861, and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 15, 1861.

Oneida
Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and grade Oneida Street to the established grade, the abutters therein having relinquished claims for grade damages in their petition. Estimated cost twelve hundred dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 15, 1861.

Concord
Street

The order submitted to the Board on the 11th instant for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutter and macadamize Concord Street between Howard Avenue and Second Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 16, 1861.

Spindel

The order submitted to the Board on the 11th instant to pay Spindel and his firm hundred

and fifty dollars for damages sustained by a proposed widening of Washington Street at 8th St. was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. January 13. 1861. Council March 3^d. 1861/

The Bond of Robert Golding, a Constable of this City being satisfactory to the City Council was also approved by this Board. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 12. 1861.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on London Street caused by stagnant water on said premises adjoining to Edward Planchard, Samuel P. Oliver, and Francis Thompson, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling the lot and constructing a good and sufficient drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the seventh day of October last, a nuisance has been abated in Lowell and Minot Streets, the cost of which was fifty two and 6/100 dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered that the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

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Secular

Street

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twelfth day of August last a nuisance has been abated in Secular Street the cost of which was only four ⁸⁰/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Prince

Street

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twelfth day of August last a nuisance has been abated in Prince Street the cost of which was nineteen ⁵⁶/₁₀₀ dollars to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

Albany

Street

Whereas pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty ninth day of July last a nuisance has been abated in Albany Street, the cost of which was two hundred and thirty three ²⁹/₁₀₀ dollars to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule herunto annexed being benefitted as aforesaid be and they hereby are charged and assessed

Settled with the same therein set to their respective names of 1887.
their proportional part of the expense of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees.

On motion of Alderman Gray Harlow
the report granting leave to L. D. Harlow to extend his line of coaches from Winnicimmet Street to Concord Street was taken from the table and was recommended to the Committee on Finance.

Ordered: That the Committee Metropolitan
on Paving report to this Board by what authority if any the
Metropolitan Railroad Company has laid down a rail across
Washington Street from East to West Door Streets.

A petition of the Suffolk Mill Suffolk
Road Company to leave to run over and use the tracks of
the Metropolitan Railroad in Cornhill, Washington, Boylston &
Tremont Streets. Read and referred to the Committee on Paving
with instructions to report an order of notice to which which
was accordingly submitted and passed, as follows. On the petition
of the Suffolk Railroad Company to leave to run over and
use the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad in Cornhill, Wash-
ington, Boylston, and Tremont Streets and the open space north
of Scollay's Building, and to connect their track now down
at the corner of Washington and Boylston Streets with the track
of the Metropolitan Railroad in Boylston Street, it is Ordered:
That due notice be given to the abutters on said streets and
to the Metropolitan Railroad Company, that this Board will on

Monday, the twenty fifth day of November instant, at four
o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of granting
the prayer of the petitioners, when any parties objecting thereto
may appear and be heard.

Federal
Street

The resolve and order submitted
to the Board on the fifth instant to widen Federal Street by tak-
ing land of the heirs of Mary Piers and others were read a
second time and were laid on the table.

Intelligence
Office

Agreeably to the report of the Com-
mittee on Licenses, leave was granted to James Miller to keep an
Intelligence Office at No. 926 Washington Street.

Market

Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on the Market the transfer of Stall No. 5 Cellar
No. 2 Farmers Hall Market from John Fisher to Jeremiah Steiner
was approved by the Board.

Leamson
Street

Whereas, it appears to this Board
that a necessity exists for the construction of a sewer, in Leamson
Street, between Sumner and Webster Streets and that public no-
tice of such intention has been given, it is hereby Ordered, that
the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to con-
struct a Common Sewer in said Leamson Street, and to report
a schedule of the expense thereof to this Board, pursuant to law.
Read once.

Otis
Street
Bebe

On the petition of James M.
Bebe and others Ordered: That the Superintendent of
Streets be authorized to pave Otis Street, the City Engineer
having given his opinion in writing that said Otis

Street is a public way. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars by
Paid once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the eighteenth day of November, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of J. Greenwood for leave to exhibit a Museum of Curiosities at No. 256 Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Greenwood

Petition of E. I. De Leon for leave to give Musical Entertainments at the School Street Opera House this week. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. De Leon

Petition of Eben Cutler and others that Cove Street may be widened between Beach and Franklin Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Cutler

Petition of Independent Company of Cadets for the use of Faneuil Hall three evenings in each week for the purpose of drilling therein. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall and Almshouse. Cadets

Petition of Cadets for the use of a room in Faneuil Hall for the purpose of drilling a company of Cadets. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall and Almshouse. Cadets

692 men therein. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall and
Jan. 18/86/1. Amos.

Banker

Petition of Banker and Carpenter
to have to erect a Steam Engine in Store now building by
them in East Colinton Street. Referred to the Committee on
Steam Engines and Furnaces.

Commonwealth

Turner

A communication from the State
Commissioners offering to pay for the expense of grading and
putting the gutters on their portion of Commonwealth Avenue.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Kelley.

Petition of Levi Kelley & others
that St. Street may be extended westerly to the water line
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Marion
and Harve
Streets

Ordered. That due notice
be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four
o'clock P.M. take into consideration the expediency of con-
structing a Common Sewer in Marion Street between Chelsea
and Harve Streets, and in Harve Street between Marion & Porter
Streets and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who
may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer,
or who, by any more remote means shall receive any ben-
efit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then
and there be heard.

Middle
Street.

No person appearing to object to
the proposed extension of Middle Street to Dorchester Avenue, and
subject was recommended to the Committee on Streets

Boylston
Street

No person appearing to object to
the proposed widening of Boylston Street adjoining to the Public

London and subject was recommended to the Committee on
Streets.

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An invitation to the City Council to visit the Steam Transport Constitution now in this Port,
was accepted by the Council.

Petition of Esther A. Howland to be compensated for personal injuries sustained when from
an alleged defect in Church Street was referred to the Committee
on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 22. Came up con-
curred.

Petition of Philip Larejou to be compensated for injuries sustained from an alleged defect in Rich-
mon Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for
concurrence. Nov. 22. Came up concurred.

Petition of James W. Twombly to be reimbursed the expense of a lawsuit brought against him for acts
done by him in the capacity of a policeman. Referred in common
council to the Committee on Claims. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Communication of H. Williams re-
specting an alleged obstruction of a passageway on the "Old Jail
Grounds," he holding the City responsible therefor. Referred to the
Board of Land Commissioners. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 22.
Came up concurred.

Petition of J. E. Holbrook and others
that the Fire Alarm Apparatus may be attached to the side of
the new church on Tremont and Concord Streets. Referred to the
Committee on Fire Alarms. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 22. Came up

Oct. concurred.

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Petition of Joseph A. Henshaw

for leave to exchange certain Five Thousand Dollar City bonds for an equal amount of one thousand dollar bonds. Referred to the Committee on Finance, with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 22 came up concurred.

Appropriations

The Committee on Finance having

ing duly considered the communication of the tenth instant asking for an additional appropriation for Printing and Stationery, voted to recommend to the City Council to authorize a transfer as per annexed order. To the Committee, Albert Parker, Chairman present. Ordered: That forty five hundred dollars be transferred from the appropriation for the Reserved Fund, and added to that for Printing &c. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 19. 1861.

Faring

The Common Council having a-

mended the order, which passed this Board on the fourteenth of October to add the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars to the Faring Appropriation, by inserting at N. provided that no part of said appropriation be paid to any laborer or overseer who is not a resident of Boston except in discharge of contracts now existing and labor already performed. said order was passed Yeas 34. Nays none. Came up for concurrence in said amendment. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor July 1861.

Ferries

Ordered: That the Committee on

Ferries have leave to report in print: Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved

by the Mayor November 19. 1861.

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The Committee on Soldiers &c. Nov. 18. 1861.

ing reported that they had expended during the month of October the sum of ten thousand nine hundred and fifty eight dollars among twelve hundred and thirteen applicants for assistance. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Passed on file.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be requested to petition (in behalf of the City Council) the next General Court for the passage of a Bill for a betterment law. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 22 came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. November 22. 1861.

The Committee on Fire Alarms.

They have respectfully to represent that at the request of the Superintendent of Fire Alarms they lately gave a hearing to him and to a party who had been in assistant in the Fire Alarm Office respecting the removal of the latter from his position as the Superintendent. In the absence of any provision in the Fire Ordinance to the contrary it had been the usual custom of the Superintendent both to appoint and discharge all the persons employed in his office; and it was not supposed that any appeal from his decision could be taken except perhaps to the Fire Alarm Committee, who to prevent any suspicion of arbitrary injustice as a worthy magistrate might satisfy themselves of the correctness of the Superintendent's decision. In the case of the person alluded to, Mr. Coffin, the action of the committee corresponded with this view, and there appearing to be no doubt that the Superintendent had acted with entire

by wisdom the committee assumed him verbally, supposing
to 18.1861 that to be the end of the matter. They have since found, how-
ever, that a clause has been introduced into the 52^d Section
of the Fire Ordinance passed the present year making the
Superintendent and his assistants "removable by the City
Council. It is presumed that the words, "and his assistants," were
added to make the Ordinance equally consistent with its pre-
vious construction, there being no provision therein for the removal
of the assistants, although it was prescribed that the Committee
on Fire Alarms should appoint them on nomination by the
Superintendent: they were inserted, however, without the know-
ledge of the Committee, and until their attention was special-
ly directed to them had escaped their notice. Without intention
on the part of those who revised the ordinance, the present cor-
rection would seriously hamper the action of the Fire Alarm
Office and impair its efficiency. To the Fire Alarm Office is
entrusted a duty which involves not only the property but the
lives of the whole city. As a sleeping sentinel endangers the
safety of an army and a nation, so an incompetent and care-
less watchman in the office of Fire Alarms may imperil every
house and every life within our borders. With a faithful Super-
intendent, an inattentive subordinate man still as in ruin.
No great vigilance cannot be exercised in a department
which holds such vast interests at its mercy. Negligence of
duty in the slightest particular should be met as soon as dis-
covered by a punishment commensurate with the offence;
and it should be in the power of the Superintendent to sum-
marily discharge any person in his employ of whose unfaith-
fulness he is satisfied. He must be, from the nature of the case.

the best judge both of the qualifications for the duty to be performed, and of its performance; but it may be well to lodge a reserve power with the Committee on Fire Alarms in order that no injustice may be done, and in such a form that in case the Superintendent retains incompetent persons, they may be removed despite his protection. It is plain, that if the sole power of discharge lies with the City Council, such delays might sometimes occur in the ejection of an incorrigible subordinate as would prejudice the office, and the moral power of the Superintendent for upbraid and discipline would be entirely lost. The Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance which modifies the Fire Ordinance so as to leave the power of discharge in the hands of the Committee on Fire Alarms. They also recommend the passage of an order removing two persons from the Fire Alarm Office, the Committee being satisfied on investigation that they ought not to remain. In the Committee, Edmund F. Johnson man. Ordered: That Francis E. Coffin and Franklin H. Bridge be and they are removed from their positions as assistants in the office of the Fire Alarm Telegraph. Resolved in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. November 19. 1861.

The Bonds of Silas Warren, Isaac Pierce, James Devine, and William T. Gibbins being satisfactory to the City Treasurer were approved by the Board of Aldermen. Said Bonds were also approved by the Mayor. November 19. 1861.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to construct a sewer in Common Street was read a second time and passed.

698. Approved by the Mayor November 19, 1861.

Nov. 18, 1861.

Otis

Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to the Superintendent of Streets to pave Otis Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 19, 1861.

Metropolitan

Railroad

Washington

Street

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred an order respecting the track across Washington Street to connect the East and West Iron Street tracks, would report that it was the intention of the Committee on Paving to have made the matter to clear in the location granted to the Metropolitan Railroad Company Sep. 2^d 1861, as to authorize the construction of the track above spoken of but as no direct order as to the authority being clearly expressed in said location and as it is necessary to carry into effect that part of said location which prevents the running of carriages on the lower part of Washington Street, and as the change which has been made is a great improvement, your committee recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Geo. H. Fairbanks. Ordered: That the Metropolitan Railroad Company be and they hereby are authorized to construct and maintain a track across Washington Street, at Iron Street and connect the same with the tracks on East and West Iron Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 19, 1861.

Public

Library

The Trustees of the Public Library submitted to the Board their Ninth Annual Report of the progress and condition of that Institution. Said on the title and one thousand copies ordered to be printed. See City Document 88.

750. the outer extremity of the excavation be filled with gravel in
Nov. 18. 1861. sufficient quantity to exclude the water and also to repair the
present sluice way and gate so that it may be used to drain
out the water which may accumulate during heavy rains or by
surface drainage. The filling up of the entire track would in-
volve much expenditure which might prove unnecessary, more
especially if the property of the road should fall into the hands
of new parties, who might undertake to conduct the business
of the Road. The Legislature of 1860 authorized by enact-
ment, the Midland Land Damage Company to purchase this
property and the Committee have been informed that efforts
are being made to accomplish this desirable result. If the pro-
posed change of ownership should take place the obstruction could
be easily removed and all claim for damage avoided; they
therefore advise the passage of the following resolve. For the Com-
mittee, Geo. W. Furmenter. Resolved: That in the opinion of the
Board of Aldermen the nuisance occasioned by the con-
dition of the excavation through which the track of the Boston
and New York Central Railroad is laid should be abated,
by filling up the outer extremity of the excavation with gravel
in sufficient quantity to exclude the water, and also by re-
pairing the present sluice way and gate, so that the waste
water may be more effectually carried off. Read, accepted
and the resolve passed.

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On petition of Sterne Morse to be
paid or damages sustained by change of grade in Dover Street,
the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary as
the estate in question has been purchased by the city. Read
and accepted.

On petition of George A. Good. 701.

win to leave to exhibit a memorial in England that the Committee on Licenses reported there to withdraw said and Boston accepted.

Agreeable to the report of the Committee on the Market the transfer of lease of Stall 23 in New Faneuil Hall Market by Nelson Day to George A. Good was approved by the Board.

The Committee on Paving after an examination of the street are unanimous in the opinion that the present pavement on Tremont Street between Park Street and Boylston Street should be replaced with Trap Rock Blocks, the work however cannot be prosecuted this season, but the stock of blocks can be purchased to better advantage before the opening of next spring, therefore the Committee recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee. Geo. H. Sumner. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Tremont Street between Park Street and Boylston Street, with Trap Rock Blocks and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street, which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to likely to become dangerous, and which the owners or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost thirteen thousand dollars. Ordered, that the Metropolitan Railroad Company be directed to pave at the same time.

12. 1861 with Trip Rock Rocks the space of said Street bet-
ween Park Street and Ryker Street, as said companies are
required by their location to keep in repair. Read once.

Pescott,
Pulnam &
Bucks Streets
accepted
Ordered: That Pescott Street,
between Church and Bremen Street; Pulnam Street between
Church Street and Bremen Street; Bucks Street, between Church
Street and Bremen Street; be and the same hereby are accept-
ed and dedicated as public highways, a part of the same
having been given to the City. Read once.

Pescott, Pulnam
& Bucks Streets
graded
Ordered, That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to grade Pulnam, Pescott and Bucks
Streets, between Church and Bremen Streets. Read once.

Essex
Street.
Ordered: That the Superintend-
ent of Streets be authorized to repair Essex Street, between
Washington Street and Harrison Avenue with Trip Rock Rocks
and make such change in the grade of said Street, as he shall
deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of
said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all open-
ings into said street, which are not secured in accordance with
the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out
of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the
owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice is
that effect. Ordered, That the Metropolitan Railroad Company
be notified of the passage of the above order, and that said
work is to be done in the Spring of 1862, as early as the month
of May of that year, by said Metropolitan Railroad Company.

in accordance with one of the provisions and conditions of the 703
location granted to said Company Sept. 5, 1861, and the said Com-
pany will be required to pay the whole cost of the paving of
the above described roadway which they can do by either contract-
ing with parties to do the work under the direction and to the
satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets or by paying for
the cost of the same to the parties employed by the Superintend-
ent of Streets to furnish the labor and materials requisite to per-
form the work. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall
on Saturday the twenty third day of November Anno Domini,
1861.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Furmenter.

A communication from the Hon. Wilkes
or, as follows: To the Honorable the City Council, Gentlemen:
Having learned that Captain Wilkes, Commander of the United
States War Steamer San Jacinto, will arrive in our Harbor to-
morrow, I would respectfully suggest to the City Council
the tendering of such courtesies to him, as may testify our

704. respect for his merit as an Officer, and his loyalty as a citizen of the United States. It will afford me pleasure to con-
sult with the City Council in any manner they may de-
sire. Read in Highman's house. Read in Common Council and
thereupon Ordered: That the President, and Messrs Boardman, Jones,
Full, Henshaw and Fitch with such as the Board of Aldermen
may join be a committee to tender to Captain Hickey of the Unit-
ed States Steamer San Jacinto such courtesies as they may deem
expedient, and that the expense of the same be charged to In-
cidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Read in Common
Council. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred and
Aldermen Rice Rich and Wilson were joined. Approved by the
Mayor, November 23, 1861.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 705.

of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty fifth day of November, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

John Grand and Three Petit Jurors
were drawn for the United States District Court.

Petition of George P. Dudley and
Others that Putnam Street may be graded from State to State
Highway Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Dudley

Petition of George Bonwell and
Others that Hoy and Rochester Streets may be accepted and
graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Bonwell

A communication was received from the Sheriff of Suffolk requesting that a bond of indemnity may be given by the City to him when he undertakes to abate the nuisance on the line of the Boston and New York Central Railroad. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. New York

Petition of George Ellis and
Others for the abatement of assessments for the relaying of the
Common Sewer in Nassau Street in 1858. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. Ellis

Petition of O. H. P. Smith and others
that the license fee of ten dollars charged to non resident
Smith

700
Nov. 25. 1861. Luckmen and wagoons may be regulated. Referred to the
Committee on Licenses.

Munn.

Petition of Lewis C. Munn for leave
to keep an Intelligence Office at No. 1 India Street. Referred to the
Committee on Licenses.

Special
Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Mark
J. Finckley was appointed a Special Police Officer at Court Street.

Federal
Street.
Anton.
Burr.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board,
the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Fed-
eral Street should be widened it is therefore hereby Ordered, that
due notice be given to John Anton. The heirs of John Anton, and
C. F. Burr Trustees of the estate of J. V. Dickson, that this Board in-
tend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a portion
of their land and laying out the same as a public street -
and that Monday the second day of December next at four
o'clock P. M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections
which may be made thereto.

Suffolk
Railroad

No person appearing to object to
the petition of the Suffolk Railroad Company for leave to run
over and use the track of the Metropolitan Railroad Company
in Washington, Boston and Faneuil Streets - said subject was
recommitted to the Committee on Paving.

Harve

Street.

No person appearing to ob-
ject to the proposed construction of a sewer in Harve Street between
Union and Fiske Streets, said subject was recommitted to
the Committee on Sewers.

Main

Street

In answer to notice calling for notice and
Daniel Crowley appeared and objected to the proposed construc-

tion of a river in masonry, was ordered to have the
and said subject was recommended to the committee on June 25. 1861

Petition of the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church on Timent Street for an abate-
ment of taxes assessed upon that property. Referred to the commit-
tee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 22.
Came up concurred.

Ordered: That Messrs Tucker, Edmonds, & Richards, Wiley and Ayer with such as the
Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to procure and
present in behalf of the City of Boston to the Twenty Eighth
Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers, a Regimental Color the
expense of the same not to exceed the sum of two hundred
dollars and to be charged to the appropriation for incidental
expenses and miscellaneous claims. Passed in Common Coun-
cil. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Al-
dermen Rich, Pray and Wilson were joined. Approved by the
Mayor November 26. 1861.

Ordered: That the Mayor be authorized to petition the Legislature for an act for such
alterations in the city charter as may be deemed desirable by
the city Council. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concur-
rence. Nov. 28. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Nov-
ember 29. 1861.

The resolve and order to widen Federal Street by taking land of the heirs of John
Hutch, the heirs of Andrew Duke and the heirs of William
Goddard - which resolve and order were submitted to the Board

Methodist
Episcopal Ch

Twenty Eighth
Regiment
Color for

City
Council

Federal
Street
Hutch

708. on the fifth instant and were passed on the eleventh in-
stant and which were reconsidered and laid on the table on
Nov. 25. 1861. the eighteenth instant, were taken therefrom and were again
passed. And then for concurrence. Nov. 28. came up concurred. Ap-
proved to the Mayor. Nov. 29. 1861.

Loans
appropriation

Loan.

In conformity with a vote of the
city council of the nineteenth instant the committee on fi-
nance respectfully recommend to the council the passage of
the annexed order authorizing a loan for the purchase of
the committee, Joseph M. Nightman. Chairman. Ordered: That
the Treasurer be hereby authorized to borrow, under the direc-
tion of the committee on finance, the sum of Fifty thousand
dollars, and that the same be added to the appropriation for
Loans. Passed in Common Council. Dec 32. Days none. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Anson,
Clark, Eitzen, Hatch, Hanson, Remondet, Rice, Shaw, Weston. Aye,
Primmer. Nays 12. Days none. Approved to the Mayor. Nov. 26.
1861.

Fire
Department
Ordinance.

The Ordinance in addition to
an Ordinance in relation to the Fire Department passed Nov.
20, 1861, whereby said Ordinance was amended by inserting
in the fifth line of the fifty first section after the words "fire alarm"
and also to discharge the same" and by striking out of the
fourth line of the fifty second section the words "and his assist-
ant" were passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved to the Mayor Nov. 26. 1861. See
Ordinance recorded in Book of Ordinances.

The order submitted to the 709.

Board on the eighteenth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Essex Street between Washington Street and Green Street with trap rock blocks, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 26, 1861.

Nov. 25, 1861
Essex
Street

The order submitted to the

Board on the eighteenth instant to notify the Metropolitan Railroad Company that they are to keep the roadway of road that is in repair and that the work of repairing Essex Street will be commenced in the Spring of 1862, was read a second time and passed.

Metropolitan
Railroad

The order submitted at the

meeting of the Board on the eighteenth instant for the acceptance of Prescott Street between Chelsea and Bremen Streets and of Putnam Street between Chelsea and Bremen Streets and of Brooks Street between Chelsea Street and Bremen Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 26, 1861.

Prescott
Putnam
and Brooks
Streets

The order submitted to the

Board on the eighteenth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Putnam, Prescott and Brooks Streets between Chelsea and Bremen Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 26, 1861.

Prescott
Putnam &
Brooks Streets
to grade

The orders submitted to the

Board on the eighteenth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Tremont Street between Park and Boston Streets with trap rock blocks and for the Metropolitan Railroad

Tremont
Street
Metropolitan
Railroad

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Nov. 25. 1861 Company to pave so much of said Tremont Street as they are
found to be in repair were read a second time and passed.
Approved by the Mayor Nov. 26. 1861

Boylston
Street.

Resolved, That the safety
and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that
Boylston Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is
necessary to lay out as a public street or way of the said City,
a strip of the Public Garden adjoining said Boylston Street, twenty
feet in width in order to make said street eight feet wide
from Charles Street to Arlington Street. And Whereas, due notice
has been given of the intention of this Board to widen the
said street, as appears by the return herunto annexed, it is
therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land herein described
be, and the same thereby is dedicated and laid out as a
public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of
the said widening made by James H. Stone, City Engineer, dated
July 6th 1861, and deposited in the office of the said Board of
Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of wid-
ening the said Boylston Street as aforesaid, will amount to nothing:
which sum together with the amount of estimates of pre-
vious alterations or discontinuances in said Street during the
present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thous-
and dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor,
November 26. 1861.

Springfield
Street

Ordered: That the Superintend-
ent of Streets be directed to remove the three trees on Springfield
Street near Washington Street, the same being obstructions to the
proper arrangement of the sidewalk. Read twice and passed.
Approved by the Mayor November 26. 1861.

Ordered: That the Superintendent

of Streets be authorized to grade and pave the gutters of Commonwealth Avenue and upon their line between Arlington Street and Faneuil Hall, the Commissioners on Public Lands of Massachusetts having in a communication to His Honor Mayor Brightman agreed to pay the cost of the said work. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor.
November 26, 1861.

Alderman Preston submitted to the Board the following memorial and order: Whereas, the Board of Aldermen of 1860 referred to this Board the subject of widening Washington Street from Devon Street to Lever Street, as contemplated by them the cost of which as estimated by their commissioners, would be one hundred and sixty nine thousand dollars; and whereas, it is highly expedient to widen Washington Street from Chest Street to Lever Street in order to complete the widening of that street to the width of fifty feet, said portion of the street being the only one not so widened; and whereas, the expense of widening the whole street at one time is likely to be much less than if small sections are widened at different times; and whereas, the present time is most opportune for said widening, as beside many other reasons, it can be done with less inconvenience to proprietors and occupants of lots which will necessarily be taken in part to effect the object, as there is less business now doing, owing to the disturbed state of our country than there probably will be when the present unhappy contest is ended, as it will give occupation to many mechanics and laborers, our own worthy citizens, who will otherwise be out of employment, and as it will tend more to the convenience of the

citizens generally to have the confusion consequent upon
Nov. 23. 1861 the making of such an improvement now rather than at a
time when the activity of business usual in our city prevails,
therefore, it is Ordered that the Committee on Streets be requested
to consider and report upon the expediency of completing
the widening of Washington Street, from Eliot Street to Dover
Street, to the width of fifty feet. Read twice and on motion
of Alderman Wilson the order was amended by adding at A
also the expediency of widening Tremont Street from Boylston
Street to the Railroad Bridge, and as thus amended the
Preamble and order passed.

Hall.

The Committee on Internal

Alum School

Health, upon the remonstrances of Samuel Hall and others;
of District Committee of Alum School against the erection of
a Kerosene Oil Factory on Murrick Street, East Boston, report
that a public notice is given to all parties interested to ap-
pear at a hearing before the Board on Wednesday December 14th
1861, at four o'clock P.M. for the committee, George W. Parmenter
Read, accepted and said day was fixed for the hearing.

Kerosene Oil
Factory

Register
of Deeds

The Committee who were ap-
pointed to examine the returns of votes given on the fifth
instant, beg leave to present a Supplementary Report in rela-
tion to the election of a Register of Deeds. It appears that
the returns of votes given for that office in the several
wards of this city and in the cities of Chelsea and town
of North Chelsea, are correctly recoded in the book kept for
that purpose, from which it appears that James Rice of Boston
having a plurality of votes has been duly chosen a member of

Nov. 25, 1861.

München!

Mr. Cairn

Nov. 5, 1801

Caldw.

Edwards

Greenwood.

Le Con

Levin

Payson

Montgomery
Street

Eighth Street

N. Street

Hpton

Street

Agreeably to the reports of the

Committee on Finance leave was granted to

the Independent company of Cadets to use Faneuil Hall three

evenings each week for purpose of drill;—also leave was granted

to Col: Edouignac to use a room in Faneuil Hall for pur-

pose of drill.

Agreeably to the reports of the

Committee on Finance leave was granted to Greenwood to ex-

hibit a museum of curiosities at 250 Washington Street; and to

Edward Le Con to give musical entertainments at the Court

Street Opera House, the present week.

On petition of James Levin for

leave to construct a cellar doorway at 300 Shawmut Avenue, the

Committee on Paving reported that all action necessary had

been taken in the premises. Read and accepted.

On petition of Edwin Payson

and others that Montgomery Street may be accepted, the Com-

mittee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to take any

action thereon. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That the Superinten-

dent of Streets be authorized to grade Eighth Street, between Old

South and N. Street; also N. Street from Eighth Street to Ninth

Street. Estimated cost two thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superin-

tendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and grade

Hpton Street: Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Read

once.

Ordered: That the Super- 715

intendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and
gravel Springfield Street from Buckingham Street to Warren
Avenue. Estimated cost fifteen hundred dollars. Paid once. Nov. 25. 1861.
Springfield
Street

Ordered: That there be paid Old Colony

to the Old Colony and Fall River Railroad Corporation the
sum of twenty six hundred and eighty dollars to be taken
to extend Warren Street, and for all damages of any nature
sustained by reason of such extension, upon their giving to the
city a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge
from all damages, costs and expense in consequence of not tak-
ing; and that the same be charged to the Corporation's credit
against claims for laying out and widening street. Paid once
Fall River
Railroad

Resolved: That the conveni- Arch

ence of Inhabitants of the city require that Arch Street should
be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and
lay out as a public street or way of the said city, a piece of
land belonging to the Simmons' bounded as follows, viz:
Northwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of Warren
Street measuring one hundred feet and $\frac{9}{10}$; Northwestwardly
by Franklin Street $\frac{4}{10}$ of a foot; Southeastwardly by the present
line of Arch Street, forty six feet; Southeastwardly by the same,
one foot and $\frac{5}{10}$; and Southwardly by the same, fifty
nine feet and $\frac{7}{10}$; containing two hundred and eighty five
square feet, more or less. And notice has been
given of the intention of this Board to take the said piece
of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return
Arch
Street
Simmons

710. hereto annexed, it is therefore ordered, that the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hyde, City Engineer, dated September 9th 1861 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Arch Street, as aforesaid, will amount to eight hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations & discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the second day of December, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Dunham

Petition of Josiah Dunham that a gate way be constructed for the Seventh Street Carriage near B. Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Syner

Petition of William Syner for his wagon stands in Franklin Street near Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of William J. Niles 717

that the surface water may be deflected from the passageway Dec. 2 1869
west of his estate on School Street. Referred to the Committee on
Paving.

Petition of Joseph H. Hunt Hunt

that Middle Street may be graded as was Rochester. Middle Street
conc. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of James M. Stevens Stevens

and others in use of Fenwick Hall on December 20th last in
for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Fenwick
Hall with full power.

Unfavorable to the recommen

dation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department and
with the approval of the Mayor Thomas Wheat was admitted
a member of Fire Company No. 10, and John Dynam was dis-
charged from Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

Pursuant to notice G. H. Bray, Bray.

has appeared and stated to the Board that damage would
be claimed for the widening of School Street adjoining his land
while no other parties, now were notified, appearing to object
the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Sarah Hayward Hayward

that the tax assessed upon estate of the Deaf and Blind for
the Home for the Deaf and Blind may be abated. Referred to the Com-
mittee on the Mayor's Department. Sent down for concurrence.
December 5. Came up concurred.

Dec. 2, 1861

Insurance

Petition of James Lawrence and
 Sons, Trustees, that the tax assessed upon the Insurance mode
 house may be abated. Referred to the committee on the In-
 sters Department. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 5. Came up
 concurred.

Wallace.

Petition of James A. Wallace to be
 paid for personal injuries sustained from an alleged de-
 feat in Ludbury Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims.
 Sent down for concurrence. December 5. Came up concurred.

Winn

Petition of J. B. Winn & Co that
 certain taxes are paid in 1860 may be refunded to them.
 Referred in Common Council to the Committee on the In-
 sters Department. Came up for concurrence. Read and
 concurred.

Toppan

Petition of Elvira E. Toppan that
 the amount of money paid by her late husband for her
 lot of land on East Springfield Street which have reverted
 to the city may be refunded to her. Referred in Common
 Council to the Board of Land Commissioners. Came up for con-
 currence. Read and concurred.

Davis

The report of the committee
 on claims giving "leave to withdraw" on the petition of Henry
 A. Davis to be paid the amount of his office rent as "Sealer of
 Weights and Measures, which report was accepted by this
 Board on the 25th of March last, having been ordered by the
 common Council to be recommitted, said action came up
 for concurrence, whereupon this Board voted to recommit said
 report in concurrence.

Ordered: That the Commit. 719.

be in the Free City Hospital and the Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the communication of the Consulting Physician be allowed to report in print. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 4. 1861.

The Joint Special Committee who were directed to inquire into the rights and claims of riparian owners in respect to the construction of the Union Avenue, have attended to that duty and now report. That the opinion of the City Solicitor has been obtained and is favorable annexed to the report that no portion of the Avenue can be constructed by the City except by further act of the Legislature. The order of inquiry intruding no further line of investigation, the Committee believe that a technical legal opinion exists, that can only be removed by legislative authority. In the Committee. Geo. W. Parmenter. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 5. Came up concurred. See City Document No. 73.

Ordered: That the following Bills

Bills for materials furnished, or labor performed, by persons connected, directly or indirectly, with the City Government be paid, provided they are appraised, audited and allowed in the usual manner, viz: Genio and Woods twenty eight dollars and fifty six cents; twenty dollars and fifty seven cents, and five dollars and fifty cents to C. L. Richards; fifty three dollars and fifty six cents; twenty four dollars - fifty six dollars and thirty seven cents. Morse Clark three hundred and thirty six dollars & fifty seven cents. D. Chamberlin forty one dollars and ninety two cents.

720. Thirty six dollars. Broker and Broker twenty six dollars and
Dec. 2. 1861 thirty nine cents. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 3. Came up con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor December 7. 1861.

Federal
Street
Cure
wearing

On motion of Alderman Peirce the
Board took from the table the resolve and order laid thereon
the eleventh ultimo, to take land from Mary Purvis Davis and from
John C. Plummer for the purpose of widening Federal Street; and
the question being on the passage of said resolve and order,
as recorded page 674 they were adopted. Sent down for concurrence.
December 5. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Decem-
ber 9. 1861.

Federal
Street
Whitwell
Collamore

Resolved, That the safety and
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Federal
Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to
take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City a
parcel of land belonging to Samuel Whitwell bounded as fol-
lows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of the said
Federal Street, there measuring fifty feet and $\frac{75}{100}$; Northwardly
by the present line of Federal Street as lately widened by taking
land of "Lushings" heirs, 4 feet and $\frac{80}{100}$; Westwardly by the present
line of the said street, fifty feet and $\frac{75}{100}$; and Southwardly by
land hereinafter described as taken from John Collamore, four
feet and $\frac{5}{100}$; containing one hundred and eighty six square
feet and $\frac{3}{100}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to
John Collamore, bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the pro-
posed line of widening of Federal Street there measuring thirty
five feet; Northwardly by land above described as taken from Sam-
uel Whitwell, four feet and $\frac{3}{100}$; Westwardly by the present line of

the said street; thirty feet: and Southwardly to land of 72
John Norton, ten feet: containing one hundred and forty six square Dec 2, 1861
feet and $\frac{4}{100}$ more or less. And whereas due notice has been given
of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land
for the purpose aforesaid as appears by the return herunto con-
ferred, It is therefore Ordered, that the parcel of land herein de-
scribed be, and the same hereby are, taken and laid out as a
public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the
said widening made by James Smith, City Engineer, dated Oct
7, 1861 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Alder-
men. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening
the said Federal Street, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing:
which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous
alterations or discontinuances in said street during the present
municipal year does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.
Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. December
5. Came up concurred. Upheld by the Mayor December 9, 1861.

Resolved, that the safety Federal
and convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Street.
Federal Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is
necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of
the said City, a parcel of land belonging to John Norton - Norton.
bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed line of wid-
ening of the said Street there measuring twenty feet and $\frac{20}{100}$;
Southwardly by land formerly of John Williamore and by the pres-
ent line of the said street ten feet and $\frac{85}{100}$; Westwardly by the
present line of the said Street, twenty feet and $\frac{16}{100}$; and South-
wardly by land hereinafter described as taken of the heirs of John

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Dec. 2. 1861
Ashton
Heirs.
Bray

Ashton, six feet and $\frac{4}{100}$: Containing one hundred and three square feet and $\frac{26}{100}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to the heirs of John Ashton, bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of the said street, there measuring twenty feet and $\frac{30}{100}$: Northwardly by land above described as taken from John Ashton, six feet and $\frac{4}{100}$: Northwardly by the present line of the said street, twenty feet and $\frac{5}{100}$; and Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken of E. J. Bray, trustee, six feet: containing one hundred and fifteen square feet and $\frac{46}{100}$, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to E. J. Bray, trustee of the estate of J. A. Dickson, bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening of the said street, there measuring sixty four feet and $\frac{90}{100}$: Northwardly by land above described as taken of the heirs of John Ashton, six feet: Northwardly by the present line of the said street, sixty five feet and $\frac{23}{100}$: and Southwardly by Williams Street, seven feet and $\frac{1}{100}$: containing four hundred and fifty seven square feet, more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return herunto answered, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be and the same shall be, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Glade, City Engineer, dated Nov^r 7th 1861, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Federal Street, as aforesaid, will amount to four thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances

inculcated during the present municipal year resolved 725
the sum of five thousand dollars read twice and passed Dec 2 1861
down for concurrence Sec. 2. Same up concurred. Approved by
the Mayor December 7. 1861

The resolve and order sub- Rich
mitted to the Board to widen Arch Street by taking land of Street.
John Simmons, were read a second time and passed. Approv-
ed by the Mayor Dec. 4. 1861

The order submitted at the Old Colony
last meeting of the Board to pay the Old Colony and Fall Rail Road
River Railroad Company twenty six hundred and eighty Railroad
dollars for land taken to extend Albany Street was read a se-
cond time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 3^d 1861

Ordered: That Marion Street Marion
between Chelsea and Bremen Streets East Boston be and the Street
same hereby is accepted and dedicated as a public highway accepted.
a deed of the same having been given to the City by the
East Boston Company. Read twice and passed. Approved by
the Mayor December 4. 1861.

Ordered: That the Superinten- Marion
dent of Street be authorized to grade Marion Street, between Street
Chelsea and Bremen Streets. Estimated cost one thousand dol- amount
lars Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 4. 1861

The Committee on Internal Health New York
to whom was referred the communication of the Sheriff of Dutch Central
County, in reference to the abatement of the nuisance caused by cultured
the condition of the excavation of the Boston and New York

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Dec. 2. 1861 Central Railroad. Report: That the committee have obtained the opinion of the City Solicitor who has conferred with the Sheriff, both concurring in their views of the rights and duties of the Sheriff in the execution of the precept in his hands, upon the Boston and New York Central Railroad. The City Solicitor says the cost of abating the nuisance must be paid as other criminal costs are paid and the Sheriff is not entitled to a bond of indemnity for the execution of the precept. The committee therefore recommend by advice of the City Solicitor that the City furnish men, teams and materials necessary for doing the work; the amount of expense to be paid to the Sheriff and charged in the same manner as are other criminal costs. The passage of the subjoined order is also recommended to authorize the prosecution of the work. On the committee Geo. W. Sumner. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be authorized to furnish men, teams and materials as may be necessary to abate the nuisance caused by the condition of the excavation of the Boston and New York Central Railroad as directed to the Board of Aldermen, the same to be under direction of the Sheriff of Suffolk County, and the expense thereof to be paid to the Sheriff and charged as are other criminal costs. Read accepted and the order passed. Approved by the Mayor December 4. 1861.

Ward Room

Read A. 1

Ordered: That for the purposes of the ensuing municipal election the Ward Room of Ward One be established at the Vestry of St. Andrew's Church in North Bennett Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 4. 1861.

The order submitted at 725

the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters and gravel Fifth Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 4, 1861. Dec 5, 1861 Fifth Street

The order submitted at the Eighth and 9th

last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Eighth Street between Old Harbor and K. Street; and 9th Street from Eighth to Ninth Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 4, 1861. Street

The order submitted at Springfield Street

the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters and gravel Springfield Street from Washington Street to Harrison Avenue, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 3^d 1861.

The following rule adopted Fire Department

in the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department was submitted to this Board for approval. It shall be the duty of the Engineer and of Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, in addition to the duties prescribed in the Fire Ordinance to drive the Horse and he shall be required to sleep in the building where the Horse is kept and to have his employment in the immediate vicinity of the same. Read and approved by the Board.

The Committee on the subject East Boston

of East Boston Ferries submitted to the Board a further report, as per City Document 71, reciting in detail the present condi- tion

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Dec. 2. 1861. lion and value of the row boat franchise &c: and authorizing a
purchase of said boats and franchise by the city and then
recommended the adoption of the following rules: Ordered: That
there be paid to the present proprietors of the Peoples Row Com-
pany fifty thousand dollars upon their conveyance to the City
of Boston, by deeds and bills of sale approved by the City Solici-
tor, their boats the Hutchinson and Thomas Weston, their fran-
chise and all other property now belonging to them, free from
all encumbrances, liens, and liabilities; and that the said
property be leased to the individuals who are now directors of
said company, for five years, free of rent; provided, they give satis-
factory security to run the same for said five years at the rates
of toll in the tariff annexed, marked B. known as the rate tax;
the city to make no charge for tax or water, to pay the gas
bills and the sum of twelve thousand dollars at and on
the expiration of each year of said term that the lessees shall
have run the boats as aforesaid; said lessees to pay all char-
ges and expenses including repairs and insurance, and to make
as many trips as at present. Ordered: That on and after
the first day of January, A.D. 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869,
1870, there be paid to the East Boston Ferry Company the sum of
twelve thousand dollars, as also what may have been realized from
the use and rents of the Eastern Railroad wharf now belonging
to the city, for the year next preceding said payment, and
that its water rates and taxes be abated and gas bills be
paid for the said year; provided, that for and during the
said year next so preceding said payment, said Company shall
have adopted the rates of toll of June, 1860 as specified in the
list of rates hereto annexed marked B. Ordered: That on and

after the first day of January, A.D. 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, there be paid to the East Boston Ferry Company the sum of seven thousand dollars as the whole may have been utilized from the use and rents of the Eastern Railroad Wharf, now belonging to the city, for the year next preceding said payment, and that its water rates and taxes be abated and gas bills be paid for the said year; provided, that for and during the said year next so preceding said payment, said Company shall have adopted the rates of toll specified in the tariff of rates hereto annexed, marked C. Ordered: That on and after the first day of January, A.D. 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, there be paid to the Boston Ferry Company the sum of twelve thousand dollars, and that the taxes and water rates of said Company be abated and its gas bills be paid for the year next preceding said payment; provided, that for and during said year & next preceding said payment, said Company shall have adopted the rates of toll & fare, 1860, as specified in the tariff of rates hereto annexed, marked B. Read once and Monday next assigned for this consideration.

Whereas, pursuant to an order of this Board, passed on the twenty ninth day of July last a nuisance has been abated in Albany Street, the cost of which was two hundred and thirty three ²⁹/₁₀₀ dollars, to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: it is therefore Ordered, That the persons named in the schedule hereto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense

Albany
Street

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Dec. 2, 1861. of the abatement of said nuisance, and the same is ordered
to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid,
their tenants or lessees. Ordered: That the order passed Nov^r 11,
1861 for collection of assessment for abating nuisance in Albany
Street be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Thompson

Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Frank J. Thompson to
exhibit some natural curiosities at 301 Market Street for two
weeks from date provided no external signs or music are used
and no person is permitted to cry the exhibition at the door.

Court

Yuan

The Committee on Paving to
whom was referred the petition of the justices of the Supreme
and Superior Courts that Court Square be repaved with some
material which will diminish the present noise of public
travel, reported, that it is inexpedient to take any action on
the same. Read and recommended to the Committee.

Intelligence

Office
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Pursuant to the report of the
Committee on Licenses an Intelligence Office license was
issued to Lewis C. Munn at No 3 Winter Street.

Intelligence

Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on Licenses the holder of an Intelligence Office
license from Towne St^o to W. Langley at 1140 Court Street
was approved by the Board.

Enrich

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The Committee on Paving to
whom was referred the communication from the Chief of Police

respecting the detention of the Suffolk Railroad law was 729.

collected printing, and the "the present law" and the regulations are sufficient to meet the purpose. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Public City

Buildings, who have in charge the subject of the erection of

New City Stables at the South part of the city, beg leave to report:

That they have caused new proposals to be tendered for

the erection of the projected City Stables at the South End, and

find that, owing to the cheapness of labor and materials at

the present time, that much needed structure can be now built

at a much less cost than was contemplated in the estimates

previously submitted to the city council. The total expense

will not exceed thirty five thousand dollars, and with the

unexpended balance of the appropriation previously made,

not more than twenty five thousand dollars will now be

required to complete the Stables. The Committee therefore re-

spectfully request the passage of the accompanying order

to the Committee on Public Buildings. Ordered: That the

Committee on Public Buildings be and they are author-

ized to contract for the erection of a new City Stable at

the South End, at a cost not exceeding thirty five thousand

dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby

is authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee

on Finance, the sum of twenty five thousand dollars,

the same to be appropriated to the erection of a New City

Stable at the South end. Read once.

Ordered: That there be

printed to Amos N. Snelling, as trustee of the late Isaac N. Snelling

City
Stables

Loan

Snelling

750. the sum of three hundred and seventy two and ²⁵/₁₀₀ dollars,
Dec. 2. 1881 for land taken to widen North Street said sum being in ad-
dition to the amount payable by virtue of the order dated
September 9th 1881 and passed by this Board upon the giving
to the City a Deed to the same, and an acquittance and
discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence
of said taking; and that the same be charged to the ap-
propriation for widening North Street. Read once

Curtis

Ordered: That the Superin-

tendent of Streets be authorized to grade Curtis Street, East
Boston. Estimated cost six hundred dollars. Read once

Everett

Ordered: That the Superinten-

dent of Streets be authorized to grade with gravel Everett
Street, between Cottage and Union Street. Estimated cost
fifteen hundred dollars. Read once.

Ordered: That Five Feet Street

between Devonian and More Streets; Union Street, between
Five and More Streets; and More Street, between Five and
Devonian Streets be and the same be accepted and dedi-
cated as public highways, a deed of the same having been
given to the City by East Boston Company. Read once

Ordered: That the Superin-

tendent of Streets be authorized to grade Five Feet between
Devonian and More Streets; Union Street between Five and
More Streets; and More Street between Five and Devonian
Streets. Estimated cost twenty five hundred dollars. Read once

Ordered: That the Superin-

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tendent of Streets be authorized to grade with gravel, High Street, from Federal Street to South Street. Estimated cost One thousand dollars. Read once.

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Ordered: That the Superin-

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tendent of Streets be authorized to grade with gravel, High Street, between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street. Estimated cost One thousand dollars. Read once.

Paul

Ordered: That the Superin-

Paul

tendent of Streets be authorized to repair said Street between High and Milk Streets, and make such changes in the grade of said Street, as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City; and those which are so much out of repair as to be liable to become dangerous, and which the owner or occupants have refused to repair after due notice to that effect. Estimated cost twenty five hundred dollars. Read once.

Paul

Ordered: That there be

Fernald

paid to Eli Fernald the sum of thirty five dollars in full compensation for any and all claims for damages to estate on Chapman Street caused by change of grade thereof upon his giving his title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all demands, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at 10 o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the fourth day of December, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present.

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Weston.

Herosene
factory

Agreeably to notice the Board took up the subject of the proposed construction of a Herosene oil factory at East Boston in March Street in the 7th section. Mr. Weston the proprietor of the proposed works stated to the Board that the building would be constructed mainly of iron and would contain all the improved tools and apparatus which would diminish the causes of nuisance. Dr. John Harris the lessee of the land on which it is proposed to erect the factory also stated that the establishment would not be a Coal Oil Herosene factory, but rather works for the purification of kerosene, and would not be such a nuisance as had been apprehended. On the part of the opponents there appeared David H. Quincy who represented many property holders at East Boston; - Samuel Hall who represented many citizens of East Boston - S. A. Lincoln, Master of the Lyman School - P. W. Durlitt, Master of the Adams School and Samuel D. Webb, Chairman of the Committee Aldam's School; - They severally testified that the erection of these works in the place proposed would be a nuisance to comfort and injurious to property. After a full and elaborate statement by Dr. A. A. Hayes of the manner in which the proposed works will be operated, and after hearing his opinion as to the effect of the vapors produced upon health and comfort, the subject was recommended to the Committee on Internal Health, and the Board adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the city of Boston held at City Hall on
Monday the Ninth day of December, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present:

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

A communication from
the Chief of Police regarding the layout of the Police Station
with request of Mr. [unclear] to the Committee on
[unclear]

Aldermen

Police

Police

Petition of the Bay State Ice
Company for leave to erect a warehouse building on the North
Side of the City of Boston. Referred to the Committee on
the Common to.

Bay State

Ice Company

Petition of Alfred Howe for
leave to keep a Billiard Saloon in Mercantile Building. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

Howe

Prescriptions of [unclear] the
No. 10 and others against granting any wagon stands in
Franklin Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Howe

On motion of Alderman
Hatch, the Board reconsidered the vote whereby on the
second instant it approved the vote of the Engineers of
the Fire Department respecting the duties of the Steward of
Hook and Ladder Company No. 2 and the question then being
upon approval of said vote or rule, it was laid upon the
table.

Hatch

Fire Department

The following Rules and Regulations adopted by the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department

Fire

Department

734. respecting the duties of Stewards of Hook and Ladder Companies.
Dec. 9, 1861. was submitted to the Board for approval viz: Section 1. Every
hook and ladder company to which no license is
attached shall have a Steward who shall be selected in the
manner prescribed in Section 30th of the Fire Ordinance for select-
ing the officers of Hook and Ladder Companies, whenever va-
cancies shall occur in consequence of removal for cause or
resignation. Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Steward of Hook
and Ladder Companies to see that the apparatus in charge
of the company is at all times ready for immediate use, and
the house provided for its storage kept neat, clean and tidy,
and to clean the snow from the sidewalk of the respective house
under the immediate direction of the Foreman of their respec-
tive companies. Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Steward of
Hook and Ladder Company No. 2. in addition to the duties pre-
scribed in the preceding section to drive the horse provided by
the City for drawing the apparatus and he shall be requir-
ed to sleep in the building where the horse is kept and to
have his apartment in the immediate vicinity of the same.
Read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Constable

On nomination by the Mayor
William Hastings was appointed and confirmed as a constab-
le of this City.

Errors

Petition of William Carrans for
abatement of tax assessed upon his house No. 175 Howard
Street, now used and occupied by the City. Referred to the Com-
mittee on the Finance Department. Not taken for consideration.
December 12. Came up concurred.

for abatement of tax on house No. 454 Hanover Street. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down to committee. December 12. Came up for concurrence.

Petition of Nelson Knutson for approval of the building erected on No. 16 East Springfield Street. Referred in Common Council to the Board of Land Commissioners. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of an Ordinance to protect the public in the town and the public health and safety during the winter season, by restricting the ice or causing any obstruction of a nature to injure persons skating and to impose penalties for violations of the Ordinance; and requiring the Aldermen to take constant supervision of such skating parties, and to take cognizance of violations of the Ordinance. And the Committee is requested to report at as early a date as possible; and to accompany the report, if it be in favor of the expediency, with a draft of an Ordinance. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The report and orders submitted to the Board on the second instant for the Committee on Public Buildings to contract for the erection of a new city hall at the South end, and to provide for a loan of twenty-five thousand dollars for that purpose were read a second time and were passed. Two claims for money were also presented.

736 Hanson, Hatch, Parmenter, Rice, Pray, Weston, Rich, Spinnaker

Dec. 12, 1861. The Board of Supervisors met for concurrence. Dec. 12, came up for concurrence. Saw 36 Ways none. Approved by the Mayor December 13, 1861.

Eastern
Avenue

The Common Council having amended the resolve respecting the expediency of the early construction of the Eastern Avenue, which passed this Board on the 28th of October last, by striking out between A. and B. the phrase "the following words" and inserting "and by striking out between C. and D. 'at an early date'". Said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 10, 1861.

Eastern
Avenue

The Common Council also passed the following additional resolution on the same subject - viz: "Resolved: That the Mayor be and he hereby is authorized to apply to the Legislature at the earliest time possible for the grant of authority to the City Council to build the whole or any part of the Eastern Avenue upon such terms if any, either as to the transfer to the City of the franchise of the said Eastern Avenue Corporation or upon other terms as may be agreed upon by the City and the said Avenue Corporation. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 10, 1861.

High
Street

The order submitted to the Board on the second instant by the Superintendent of Public Works to grade High Street from Federal to South Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 10, 1861.

The order submitted to the 737

Board on the second instant to pay Eli Arnold three hundred dollars for grade damages on Chapman Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 10, 1861.
Approved Dec. 10, 1861.

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Arnold

The order submitted to the

Meeting

Board on the second instant to pay Enoch A. Milling, owner of Isaac School, three hundred and seventy two dollars and thirty five cents for grade damages on North Street, the same being in addition to the order passed Sep. 9, 1861, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 10, 1861.

The order submitted to the

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Board on the second instant for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Roy Street between Boston Avenue and Broadway was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 10, 1861.

Street

The order submitted to the

Board

Board on the second instant for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Everett Street between Collage and Orleans Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 10, 1861.

Street

The order submitted to the

Curtis

Board on the second instant for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Curtis Street at East Boston, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 10, 1861.

Street

The order submitted to the

East

Board on the second instant for the Superintendent of

Street

38. That to repair said street between High and Main
streets a second time and pass it, approved by the Mayor
December 10, 1861.

Chauce
More & Pope
Streets

The order submitted to the Board
on the second instant for the acceptance of Chauce, More
and Pope Streets was read a second time and passed.
Approved by the Mayor December 10, 1861.

Chauce
More & Pope
Streets

The order submitted to the Board
on the second instant for the Superintendent of Streets to
grade portions of Chauce, More and Pope Streets, was read
a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 10,
1861.

O'Brien
memorial

A memorial signed by Corne-
lius O'Brien and others complaining that laborers who are
non-residents are employed on the city work and the pub-
lic lands was referred in the common council to Messrs
Clark, Coates and Tucker with such as the Board of Alder-
men may join, to come up for concurrence. And an
motion of Aldermen Rich^d laid on the table.

Committee
Sea Wall

The Committee on Public In-
stitutions to whom was referred a communication from
the Board of Directors of Institutions asking an approp-
riation of twenty thousand dollars for the purpose of erect-
ing a wall along the level of the Beach at Deer Island
commencing at, or near, the present Wharf, and continuing
to the "end," so called, a further of about 200 feet have consid-
ered the subject, and beg leave to report: That in examining

the matter, the first question taken into account should be
whether any protection is necessary. This beach, as it is
at all conversant with the location understood, is not at
all exposed to the fury of the storm. Its position is such that
it is completely protected from the northwesterly storm
of the island. The area of ground on the beach is
close to the wall is about thirteen acres, all of which seems
to be composed of gravel and small stones. It is not
to be made of it in connection with the wall, and
to be made from the hill, at least two feet in thickness, must
be spread over the whole surface, estimated at 5200 square.
If this amount of earth can be gradually removed, and
have sufficient time to extend the cultivation of the island
in the same way as the present year, the Directors will be en-
titled to the favorable consideration of the City Government.
The Committee are of the opinion that unless the land is
valuable land to protect, all areas are entirely unnecessary.
After the land shall have been filled up to a proper
grade, and then it is suggested that the wall be
removed away, the proposed wall may be called for, but not
built. If there is a determination of land to be built, the interest
of the institution, it may be policy to build a wall from
the sea to keep the land at a proper grade. It is
unanimous opinion of the Committee that it would be better
even now, if the land was graded up to the present level, to
have a margin of flat stones, laid on an angle correspond-
ing to the slope of the beach, above the present high water
mark, and thus being a public beach which is not met-

740. being affected by the ripple across the Bay. There seems to
Dec. 9, 1861. your committee no more just reason in building a dam-wall
to protect this shore than there is to do the same thing at
Lake Cochituate. The reservoir at Brookline has a course of
that dam built at a cost of \$100,000 and it is
that at Deer Island, for a few feet at the margin of the pond.
It is much cheaper and much handsomer than any rough
dam ever built. On motion of Alderman Parmenter laid on the
table.

North
Annual

On motion of Alderman Parmenter leave was granted to the committee on Purins to
go on and visit the site of the proposed
annual dam.

East Boston
Series

Alquately to assignment the
series was assigned to the committee on the
purchase of the franchise of the East Boston Series, being
fully recommended by the committee on motion of Alderman Emery
the report of the committee was accepted: Alderman Emery
then moved the adoption of the first two orders, as recorded on
page 725: whereupon Alderman Butler moved that the
subject be especially assigned for consideration on Monday
next at four o'clock, P.M. which motion prevailed.

Votes.

On motion of Alderman Hatch-

Alderman Hatch and two were appointed a committee
to examine the terms of the proposed franchise for
the year.

Ordered: That there be paid \$44
to John Simmons the sum of fifteen hundred dollars
and taken to widen Chen Street upon his giving to the
city a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and dis-
charge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence
of said taking; and that the same be charged to the ap-
propriation for laying out and widening streets. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superin-
tendent of Streets be authorized to grade Middle Street, South
Boston, estimated cost eight hundred dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next eleven o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday
the twelfth day of December, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Preston,
Amory, Parmenter, and Pierce.

The Committee appointed to
examine the returns of votes cast in the several wards for a
Mayor and Twelve Aldermen, also for a Clerk of the Police Court
of this City have attended to that duty and respectfully report.
That the returns for the several wards are as follows, and
the result is correctly recorded in the Book kept for that purpose.

Parent.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Now

On motion of Alderman 745

Next the Board took from the table the report, which was
laid thereon on the ninth instant, which declared it inap-
propiate to build a Sea Wall at Sea Strand, but advocate a line
of flat stones upon the beach instead - and said report as re-
corded page 738 was accepted. Sent down for concurrence Dec 14
some of concurred.

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Sea Strand

The Committee appointed to

Bonds

examine the Bonds of City Officers, beg leave to report: That
they have examined the Bonds of all the City Officers who
are required by ordinance to give securities, and find that
they are all properly prepared and satisfactory in character.
At the time of the Committee's organization, the bond of some of
the officers were considered insufficient, but they have since been im-
proved by others which have been submitted and approved. One
only, submitted to the Committee has been found to be in-
correct and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 14
all concurred.

City Officers
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The Committee on the Assess-

ment

ment Department to whom was referred the petition of Louisa
Larkin for abatement of taxes, beg leave to report: That the
assessors in the petition having been not to action in the
face of the Assessors, further consideration of the matter by the
City Council is unnecessary. For the Committee, John F. Pugh,
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence Dec
14 some of concurred.

The Committee on Public

Buildings

Buildings to whom was referred an order of the City
Council relative to the purchase of land to be used

Drill Hall

7.14 a military Drill and Storage Hall, have considered the
same, and would respectfully report: That it is inexpedi-
ent to take action thereon at present time. For the Committee,
J. Preston, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concu-
rence. Decided by yeas of concurrence.

Military

Hall.

Public Com-

mission

The Committee on Public Build-
ings, who were directed by an order of the City Council to
consider the proposition of erecting a building for a military
Hall in the Franklin School House Lot, have considered the
same and would report: That, in their opinion, it would be
expedient to lease the Franklin School House to the purpose
named. For the Committee, J. Preston, Chairman. Read and ac-
cepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 19 by yeas of concurrence.

Cooper

the

Gun House

The Committee on Public Build-
ings to whom are referred a communication from the
School Committee requesting that the Gun House in Cooper
Street be purchased and altered and used for Training School,
have considered the same, and beg leave to report: That it
is inexpedient to act thereon. For the Committee, J. Preston Chair-
man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 19
by yeas of concurrence.

Common

Council

chamber

The Committee on Public Build-
ings, who were directed by an order of the City Council to
consider what measure should be adopted to relocate
the Council Chamber, beg leave to report: That a temporary
apartment has been put in use, which it is thought will suffice
while the present building is occupied for a City Hall, and

but no further action is necessary. In the Committee, J. Weston, 7/15.
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 16. 1861
Dec. 19. Came up concurred.

The Board of Land Com. William
missioners to whom was referred the petition of Abner Wil-
liams, respecting an alleged obstruction of a passageway on
the Old Mill Lands and of his holding the City responsible
therefor, having fully considered the same would respectfully
submit the following report: That the Old Mill Lands, as origi-
nally laid out, were sold at Public Auction in Nov. 1858 and
the following condition was inserted in all the agreements
made for the sale of the premises: "The purchaser shall be
bound to maintain in the use of the said lands a way or
to said Street is to be laid out and maintained by the
abutter thereon, for the benefit of the said lands, as the same
is laid out and exhibited on the said plan, the same
being indicated thereon by dotted lines and the City of Bos-
ton reserves the right, at any time hereafter, when it may
deem expedient so to do, to construct and maintain in and
through the whole of said passageway as is shown upon
said plan, a common sewer for the purpose of draining the
land abutting thereon or any other that the proper authori-
ties of the said City may think proper to drain thereby. The
cost of having been referred to the City Solicitor, his opin-
ion is that the City of Boston has nothing to do in the mat-
ter, as the passageway is owned by the abutter, a
private party, for a sewer in the same line, reserved to the
City, and if any obstruction will now be made thereon,
the abutter was the only party that could cause the same

746. to be removed. In view of the opinion given by the City
Dec. 10, 1861. Council, the Board would recommend that the petitioners
have leave to withdraw. For the Committee Samuel Hatch, Chair-
man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 19,
came up concurred.

Holbrook

The Committee on Fire Alarms,
to whom was referred the petition of Mrs. Holbrook and others
for the erection of an Alarm Bell in the New Methodist Church
on Clement Street, have considered the same and beg leave to
Report: That in the opinion of the Committee, who are sustained
by the Chief Engineer and the Superintendent of Fire Alarms there-
in, there is no necessity for an alarm at the point mentioned. They
therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.
For the Committee, Sam^l. Hatch, Chairman. Read and accept-
ed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 19, came up concurred.

Public
Garden
fence

The Common Council meeting
amended the order, which passed this Board on October 28th
to appropriate thirty two thousand dollars for the construction of
an iron fence and a sidewalk around the Public Garden by
striking out the words "thirty two" and by inserting "not exceed
seventy seven" and by inserting after the word "and" the words
"high" and said order having passed the Common Council,
as amended by a vote of 36 Yeas and no Nays, said action came
up for concurrence: For the Committee the report was read and
said order by striking out "seven" and by inserting at the end
of the order "provided the further sum of Seven thousand dollars
shall be contributed by the abutters around the garden" and it
demanded the Yeas and Nays on this motion, which were taken

as follows, viz: Yeas Aldermen Olmery, Gibson and Rice. 3 Ayes, 747.

Aldermen Clark, Hanson, Hatch, Emerson, Rice, Sawyer, Fish, Tied, Spence, Brown, and Cuyler.

Yeas, and Wilson 9. So said motion did not prevail. The question

then recurring on the passage of the bill, as amended by the

Common Council, it was adopted in concurrence by the following

vote, viz: Yeas Aldermen Olmery, Clark, Gibson, Hanson, Hatch,

Emerson, Rice, Sawyer, Fish, Tied, Spence, Brown, and Cuyler.

Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 17, 1861.

The Committee on the Relief for

Soldiers

and Families respectfully report to the City Council that the

Relief

appropriations already made for their disbursement are exhausted

and that a further sum will be required to meet the wants

of the ensuing months of January and February; they therefore

recommend to the Council the passage of the annexed order

authorizing a loan of twenty five thousand dollars, to meet

the present demand for the two coming months. In the order

will, according to the provisions of the law authorizing these

payments, be entitled to receive from the State, after January

next, the amounts which the Committee will have disbursed

at the close of this month: that Committee respectfully recom-

mend to the City Council the passage of the accompanying

order authorizing the Treasurer to place the amount which

may be thus received to the credit of the appropriation for Sol-

diers relief and subject to the draft of this Committee until

further orders of the City Council. In the Committee, James

Olmery, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is

authorized to draw under the direction of the Committee on the

sum of twenty five thousand dollars, and that the same

be placed to the credit of the appropriation for the relief of Soldiers

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Dec. 16. 1861.

Committee. Ordered, that the money received from the State
in re-imbursment of payments already made, or to be made,
under the law of 1858 authorizing relief for the families of
Soldiers, be placed to the credit of the appropriation for that pur-
pose and be subject until further order of the City Council,
to the draft of the Committee on that appropriation. In Com-
mon Council. Read, accepted and the orders passed. Yeas. 32.
Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read once and this
Board concurred therein. Yeas Aldermen Amory, Clark, Gibson,
Hunt, Hutch, Sumner, Tice, Tracy, Weston, Rich, Spinnecy & Wilson.
Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, December 18. 1861.

Committee
on
School Houses

Resolved from the School Com-
mittee that the rooms used for School rooms in the Sumner and
Wells School Houses may be exclusively used for school purposes
and be turned in common council to the next City Council. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Constable's
Bonds

The Bonds of Michael Galvin,
William Hastings and James M. Sullivan, Constables, & in particu-
lar to the City Solicitor were approved by the Board. Appor-
ed by the Mayor Dec. 17. 1861.

City Officer's
Bonds

The Bond of Samuel C. Kottage,
Superintendent of Public Buildings were approved by the Board.

Register of Deeds
Bonds

The Bond of James Rice, Register
of Deeds for Suffolk County was approved by the Board.

Resolved that the Mayor and 7/19/

convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Middle Dec. 16. 1861
Street should be extended, and for that purpose it is necessary
to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City,
a parcel of land belonging to John Jones, late of John Jones,
P. Tolman and Sarah, wife of said Jones, bounded as follows, viz.
Northeastwardly by the northeasterly line of the proposed exten-
sion of the said Street, there measuring two hundred and fifty
feet and 7/10; Southeastwardly by the present line of termina-
tion of said Street, thence East and 7/10 Southwardly to the
Southeastly line of the said extension, two hundred and
thirty five feet; and Northwardly by Lombard Avenue
thirty three feet and 1/10: containing seven thousand three hun-
dred and fifty two square feet and 5/10 more or less. And whereas
due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take
the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, and upon the
return hereto annexed, it is thought proper, that the parcel
of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and
laid out as a public street or way of the said City accord-
ing to a plan of the said extension made by James Glade,
City Engineer dated Nov. 10th 1861, and deposited in the office
of the said Board of Aldermen. And the Board do hereby certify
that the expense of the said extension of Middle Street, as
aforesaid will amount to nothing: which sum together with
the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuance
in said Street during the present municipal year does not
exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. And further resolved,
Approved by the Mayor December 17. 1861.

Middle
Street
extended

Tolman.
Tolman.

The order submitted to the Board on the ninth instant for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Middle Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 17, 1861.

The order submitted to the Board on the ninth instant to pay John Simmons fifteen hundred dollars for land taken to widen Arch Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 17, 1861.

The Committee on Buying out and widening Streets to whom were referred the petitions of Morris Rice and others, William Rice and others and Samuel J. J. J. and others for the widening of Market Street from Board to Commercial Street. Reported that the petitioners were heard on the matter and the subject was considered, but under the circumstances the Committee have decided that it is inexpedient to recommend the proposed widening at the present time. For the Committee, Silas Pease, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Ordered: That Aldermen Wilson, Trining and Furmenter be a Committee to confer with the several Rail Road Companies located within the City of Boston and report a system of exchange or commutation tickets for the accommodation of the public in conformity with the order passed by this Board August 26, 1861.

On petition of Barker and Co. for leave to erect a Steam Engine in their new place on Clinton Street, the Committee on Steam Engines &c. reported.

that as there is no authority for granting the prayer of the pe- 751.
titioners, they have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted Dec. 10/1861

The Committee on Learning Smith
out and widening streets to which was referred the several pe-
titions of H. M. Drick & Co and others, Foster, Lape & Co and others, and
and Sage, Abbott and others in relation to Fulton Place. Reported
that it is unnecessary and inexpedient to take any action in the
matter at the present time. For the Committee John Price, Chairman.
man. Read and accepted.

On petition of Bay State Bay State
Lumber Company for leave to erect a wooden building on the Public
Garden to the rear of arms, the Committee on the Commons
reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on the Fire Fire
Department to whom were referred certain rules and con-
ditions for the government of Stewards of Hook and Ladder Com-
panies reported that they had examined the same and deemed
at them worthy of approval, and they recommended their
adoption by the Board. Read and accepted, and the said
rules and regulations, as recorded page 733, were approved
by the Board.

The Committees on the Free City City
Hospital and on Public Buildings to whom was referred the
communication of the Consulting Physicians recommending
against certain proposed changes of plan in the erection of a
City Hospital reported, in per City Document 68 by the nature
of the changes made in the plan and the reasons therefor, and

752. Said Committee are unanimously in favor of erecting the build-
Dec. 16, 1861 ing upon their modified plan. Read and laid on the table.

Salary

The Common Council having
again adhered to their former votes on the Salary Bill whereby
the salaries of the East and South Boston Firemen are made
equal to those of the Firemen in the City Proper. And action came
up for concurrence. Read, and on motion of Alderman Hatch
laid on the table.

City

The Committee on Streets, to whom
was recommended the order of notice contemplating the widen-
ing of West Street by taking land of J. S. Raymond, reported a
reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read
and accepted.

Washington

The Committee on Streets who
were directed by the order of November 25 to consider the expedi-
ency of widening Washington Street from Eliot to Dorra Streets
reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen.
Read and accepted.

Andbury

The Committee on Streets to whom
was referred an order in relation to the expediency of widening
Andbury Street, reported a reference of the subject to the next Board
of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Eaton

The Committee on Streets to
whom are referred the petition of William Eaton and others
for the extension of Union Park Street to Albany Street reported
a reference of the matter to the next Board of Aldermen. Read
and accepted.

Union Park

Street

On the several petitions 753

of Nathan Hathorn that certain streets be laid out across
land of Boston and Providence Rail Road Company. of
David H. Jacobs and others that the widening of Springfield Avenue (tr.
that may be continued out of the county commission
as of Norfolk County that the line of said street may be
discontinued. the Committee on said report is of opinion that
of the same to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and agreed
ad.

Ordered: That there be paid Currit

to Patrick Currit the sum of One hundred dollars in full
compensation for any and all claims for damages to his estate
in London Street East Boston caused by a change of grade there
of upon his moving his title to said estate to the satisfaction of
the City Solicitor, and upon his giving to the City an acquit
tance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in
consequence of said change of grade and that the sum be
charged to the appropriation for Currit &c. Read and

The Board of Land Commis- Quimby

sioners to whom was referred the petition of Gilman M. Quim-
by to be reimbursed for extra expense and labor on Albany
Street Sewer system have considered the same and respect
fully submit the following report: That the Board of Land
commissioners advised on the second day of April 1880
of construction of the Albany and Throgs Neck Sewer. Four
proposals were received, the highest being \$840,00 and the low-
est \$402,00. Mr. Quimby being the lowest bidder and well re-
commended the contract was awarded to him. The work on Sharon

754 Street was commenced and finished to the satisfaction of
Sec. 10. 1861 the Superintendent of Sewers. The Altamont Street Sewer was then
commenced, but soon after Mr. Quimby found that he could
not proceed, he having taken the depth to be less than was shown
upon the plan; he also found that the sewer could not be con-
structed without using sheet piling, which was not considered
by him in making up his estimate, but was included by the
other parties. On the 22^d day of May, he threw up the contract,
and the City Council directed the Board of Land Commission-
ers to proceed and cause the same to be completed, which was
done at an expense of \$4882.96, exclusive of the material
found upon the premises, belonging to Mr. Quimby which was
used. The bill presented by him to the City is \$2936.40 less \$700.
which was paid on account of the Sharon Street Sewer about
the 1st of May last. Adding the two amounts together, the whole cost
of constructing the two sewers will be \$5579.36 - being \$500 less
than the highest proposal received. The Board having fully
considered the subject in all its bearings, believe that the bal-
ance of Mr. Quimby's bill, which is \$2236.40, should be paid,
and would therefore recommend the passage of the accom-
panying order. For the Hon. members, Samuel Thitch, Clerk.
man. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby
authorized to pay Gilman M. Quimby the sum of twenty
two hundred and thirty six dollars and forty cents, the same
being for material and labor furnished by him on the Altamont
and Sharon Street sewers and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for Public Lands. Read once.

Buildings, who have in charge, in conjunction with the Committee on the Free City Hospital, the erection of a Building for a Hospital, beg leave to report: That having duly advertised for proposals, they have received numerous offers to perform the several branches of work required in erecting the entire Building and the Portions of the Hospital. The lowest responsible bid, if accepted, estimate the cost of the entire Building at about \$75,000, and of each of the Portions at \$10,000, making the whole cost \$95,000. In order however, to fully complete these structures some further expenditures, at which it is impracticable now to procure exact estimates, will be required; but the Committee think that \$150,000 will be ample to finish and put in order for occupancy the building named. They therefore ask the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee Room Boston Chairman Ordered: That the Finance Committee be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of fifty thousand dollars, the same to be added to the appropriation made July 1861 for erecting a Free City Hospital, and to be expended pursuant to the order making said appropriation. Resolved.

Agreeably to assign - East Boston Series
and the Board took up the subject of the East Boston Series and the question being on the passage of the order appended to the report on that subject as embodied in the Document N^o 7, and as recorded page 725, the same were amended on motion of Aldermen Rice & Perkins and at the word 'fifty' and inserting 'forty' by striking out at B to make no charge for tax on water - by striking out at C

756 'the gas bills' by striking out at D 'twelve' and inserting 'five'. And the first order as thus amended was adopted. Sent down for concurrence. January 2, 1862. Came up non-concurred. The question then being on the passage of the second order, it was amended on motion of Alderman Fine by striking out at E 'twelve' and inserting 'ten' by striking out all the words from F to G. and by inserting at H, after provided, "that in and during the last year not including the start of the temporary bills were made as many bills as at present, and also". And the second order, as thus amended was adopted. Sent down for concurrence. January 2, 1862. Came up non-concurred. The question then being on the passage of the third and fourth orders, Alderman Spinney made a motion to adjourn, which was carried, and the Board then

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the Eighteenth day of December, 1861, at seven o'clock, A.M. in order of his Honor the Mayor, to the consideration of the subject of the East Boston Gas

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Spinney

being absent by reason of illness on nomination by the Mayor, 757

Horace T. Rockwell was appointed and confirmed by the Board Dec. 15 1861
as City Clerk, pro tempore.

The Board resumed the con- East Boston

sideration of the orders for the subdividing of the East Boston
tract, which subject was taken up at the adjournment of the
last meeting; and the question being on the passage of the
third and fourth orders, as recorded page 725, Alderman Tick
moved a reconsideration of the votes by which the first and se-
cond orders were passed. On this motion, the Board de-
manded the Yeas and Nays, and they were taken as follows:
Yeas: Aldermen Clark, Pray, Weston, Rich, and Wilson. 5 Yeas. Al-
dermen Emory, Gibson, Hanson, Skitch, Parmenter, and Rice. 6. So
the motion to reconsider did not prevail. The question then re-
maining on the passage of the third and fourth orders, they were
rejected.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

Attest:

Horace T. Rockwell

City Clerk, pro tempore.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
dermen of the city of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the
twenty third day of December Anno Domini 1861.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Witness Francis Underwood

and others that they be allowed to convert a portion of

758. The Mayor of the Town of New York, a general order
Dec. 23, 1861. carriages &c. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

McManus

Petition of Patrick McManus
and others to be compensated for grade damages on London
Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

760

Petition of Samuel H. S. Stone
of the evening estate, to be paid for damages sustained by the
widening of Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Curtis

Petition of Nelson Curtis and
others that Marion Street between Bennington and ...
shall may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Telleman

Petition of M. Telleman for ap-
pointment as an auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on
Licenses.

Major

Petition of Daniel J. Major for
leave to exhibit a musical variety at St Union Street for two
weeks. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor
Nathaniel Emerson was appointed a Lieutenant for Police
Station number One, and Lemuel A. McKim was appointed
and confirmed as Sergeant for Police Station number One.

Common

Alderman Amory submitted to
the Board an Ordinance entitled An Ordinance in relation

to the Common, Public Garden, Public Squares, and Common 759

Lands. Read twice laid on the table and ordered to be printed Dec 22 1881
see City Document No 75

The Board of Land Commis-
sioners to whom was referred the petition of Nelson Burlis for
approval of building erected on Lot 16 East Springfield Street
having duly considered the same, would respectfully sub-
mit the following Report: That as the building on Lot 16 East
Springfield Street has not been erected in conformity with
conditions of sale as expressed in the agreement given to the
city by the purchaser October 25th 1858 the petitioners have
to withdraw. In the Commission, Samuel Hatch Chairman
Common Council. Read and accepted. Come up for concur-
rence Read and concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee
on Public Lands in accordance with the second section of the
Ordinance establishing the Board of Land Commissioners
nominated for the approval of the City Council. Samuel
Hatch and Councilman Timothy E. Sage as members
of said Land Commission for two years from January next. said
and the said nomination was confirmed to this Board
and taken for concurrence. December 20. Come up for concurrence

The Committee on Soldiers Re-
lief reported that during the month of December the number of
applicants for relief under the Statute of 1861 was 1400 and the
sum disbursed by them was \$2.15. Read and taken for
Common Council. Placed on file.

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Petition of Edward G. Nickerson

Dec. 20, 1861

Nickerson

for abatement of tax on certain real estate and personal property owned by him at West Boston on July 4th 1861. Referred to the committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Dec 26 came up concurred.

Home for
Aged Colored
people

Petition of Home for Aged Colored

people for abatement of tax for 1861 on their house Nos 57th St. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26 came up concurred.

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The report and order submit-

ted to the Board on the sixteenth instant in favor of paying to William M. Sumner twenty two hundred and thirty six dollars and fifty cents for materials and labor furnished to him on the Albany and Sharon Street Sides, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

City

The report and order submit-

ted to the Board on the sixteenth instant in favor of a loan of fifty thousand dollars to be appropriated toward the erection of a New City Hospital were read a second time and passed. 200 Aldermen. May, Clark, Gibson, Hanson, Allen Farmer, Eric Shaw, Foster, Rich, Finney and Hildre, 12. Ayes, none. Sent down for concurrence. Dec 26. Came up concurred. Dec 35. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 27 1861.

City

On motion of Alderman Am-

Hospital

by the Board took from the table the report of the Joint Committee on City Hospital and Public Buildings, to whom were referred the communication of the Boarding House and

report (being City Document N° 29) was accepted. Sent down 761
for concurrence. December 26. Came up concurred.

Dec. 23. 1861.

Ordered: That the sum of six hundred dollars be paid to the City and County Treasurer to defray the expense of extra duties in his office, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Salaries. Passed in Common Council, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 24. 1861.

Treasurer
Werk here

The Committee on the Assessors Department, to whom was referred the petition of H. E. Chmington for settlement of taxes, has leave to Report: That, in consequence of the action of the Assessors, no further action on the part of the City Council is necessary. For the Committee, John F. Hall, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

Chmington

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of S. P. Gaudin to be compensated for personal injuries sustained to his wife in consequence of an alleged defect in Harrison Avenue, has leave to Report: That the claim of the petitioner having been judicially settled no further action on the part of the City Council is necessary. For the Committee, Eliot Rice, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. December 26. Came up concurred.

Gaudin

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of J. I. Robinson to be paid for injury done to the roof of his house in East Boston, by the discharging of fireworks, July 4. 1857 have considered the same and has leave

Robinson

762. to recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. for
Dec. 25. 1861. the Committee, Elias Price, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent
down for concurrence. December 26. Came up concurred.

Lumphee

The Committee on Claims, to
whom was referred the petition of Eliza E. Lumphee to be com-
pensated for injuries sustained to a fall in consequence of
an alleged defect in Garrett that, has leave to Report: That,
no evidence having been offered by the petitioner to sustain her
demand, they recommend that she have leave to withdraw. for
the Committee, Elias Price, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent
down for concurrence. December 26. Came up concurred.

Massachusetts

Anti Slavery
Society

The Committee on Claims, to whom
was referred the petition of the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery So-
ciety to be compensated for damages sustained by them by reason
of being prevented from using the Faneuil Temple which
was hired for a public meeting on the twenty fourth and twenty
fifth of January last, has leave to Report: That proper notice was
given to the Officers of the Anti-Slavery Society that the Committee
intended to consider their petition, but no person appeared to ad-
vocate the claim, and in the absence of evidence upon the mat-
ter, the Committee recommend that the petitioner have leave
to withdraw. for the Committee, Elias Price, Chairman. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

McBurn

The Committee on Claims, to
whom was referred the petition of William McBurn to be
paid for injuries sustained by his wagon from an alleged

doct in Washington Street, have considered the same, and 705
beg leave to Report: That an investigation of the facts upon Dec. 23. 1861
which the petitioner asked to establish his claim, failed to
show them that the City was in any way responsible for the
accident which caused the injury to his property. They there-
fore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw
For the Committee, Silas Paine, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred

The Committee on Claims,
to whom was referred the petition of Patrick Riley to be refund-
ed the costs of a suit brought against him to the rescue of
a fugitive slave in 1851, beg leave to Report: That the claim
of the petitioner is founded upon an alleged neglect of duty
on the part of the Police of the City in failing to furnish aid
to retain Hudson in custody, without entering into the question
of the legal responsibility of the City, in case detection on
the part of the Police were proved. The Committee would state
that the evidence brought to their notice failed to satisfy them
that the Municipal authorities received such notice of an im-
pending violation of the public peace as would require them
to afford assistance to the Federal officers. There seems to be no
basis therefore even an equitable claim to the repayment
of expenses incurred in consequence of the fugitive's escape, and
the Committee would recommend that the petitioner have leave
to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Paine, Chairman. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred

The Committee on Claims, to whom Chandler

764 was referred the petition of Benjamin Chandler to be paid
Dec. 2. 1861 for damages occasioned to his shop at the corner of Washington
Street and Cornhill. He came to report that the petitioners had
failed to make proper representation of his claim before the
Committee, and they therefore recommend that he have leave
to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up
concurred.

Phillips

The Committee on Claims, to whom
was referred the petition of Lucy S. Phillips to be compensated
for injuries sustained by falling into a coal-hole in Dover Street,
has come to report that they have given a full hearing to the
case as presented to the petitioners and by the parties who are
immediately responsible for the accident, and are satisfied that
the circumstances do not supply a foundation for a claim upon
the city or town as in any amount whatever. They further
believe that whatever injury is now entailed upon the petitioner
results more from her carelessness and imprudence after the
accident than from the accident itself. If proved to be at all
chargeable to that occurrence, and therefore the demand for re-
muneration is exorbitant and inadmissible. The Committee
recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the
Committee, Silas Price Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent
down for concurrence. December 26. Came up concurred.

Owen

The Committee on Claims, to whom
was referred the petition of Ann Owen to be paid for personal
injuries sustained by falling into a coal-hole in South Field
Street has come to report that although duly notified to do

the petitioner has never appeared before the Committee to present
his claim, and they therefore recommend that he have leave
to withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence Dec. 21. Came up concurred.

The Committee on claims, to Brown

whom was referred the petition of William Brown to be paid for
personal injuries sustained to him in Federal Street, beg leave
to Report: That the petitioner has failed to represent his case to the
Committee, and they therefore recommend that he have leave to
withdraw. For the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence Dec. 21. Came up concurred.

The Committee on claims, to Libbey

whom was referred the petition of Elizabeth Libbey to be com-
pensated for the killing of her husband at the explosion of the
works in the Common, July 4, 1837, beg leave to recommend
that, in order to await the result of judicial inquiry upon a
similar case, the matter be referred to the next City Council. For
the Committee, Silas Price, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence December 26. Came up concurred.

The Committee on claims, to Bullard

whom was referred the petition of Edwin Bullard to be paid
the amount awarded to him in damages to his tenants of a
wharf at the foot of Summer Street, have considered the same,
and beg leave to report: That as the decision in this case
must depend more or less upon the result of certain suits a-
gainst the City by Thomas Richardson now pending, and likely

766. soon to be concluded, it seems best to defer action for the present.

Dec. 22. 1861. The committee thereupon recommended that the petition be referred to the next City Council. For the Committee, Elias Peirce, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

Soup &
Food House

The Joint Special Committee appointed to consider the expediency of establishing Soup and Food House for the poor of the City, has leave to report: That there has seemed to be no necessity for taking the subject contemplated to the order of the City Council. And the Committee therefore recommended that the subject be referred to the next City Council. For the Committee, Mrs. Foster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

Gravity

The order submitted to the Board on the sixteenth instant to pay which gravity one hundred dollars for grade damages on London Street, East Boston, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Board Dec. 24. 1861.

Tamplin,
the
Petition
Court.

The Committee on Paving on the petition of Charles Tamplin and others, and A. B. B. & others that the petitioners' petition be accepted, report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Hall -
Lillian Works

The Committee on Internal Health to whom were referred the remonstrance of Samuel Hall and others of District Committee of the Public School against the location of Lillian Works on Marlborough Street, and John Lloyd that after due investigation of the subject and conference

with the City Solicitor whose written opinion is herewith annexed, the Committee are satisfied that no legal authority of the Board of Aldermen can prevent the erection of the building necessary for carrying on the business proposed and that there is no right to assume that a nuisance exists before the same is erected. Therefore the Committee believe that there is no right vested in the Board of Aldermen to restrain the erection of the building and any question of abatement of nuisance must be considered at the future judgment of the Board of Health shall determine. In the Committee, Geo. H. Hammond.
Read and accepted.

On the petition of John J. Leow
that the grade of Howard Street between South and Alice
Streets may be raised, the Committee on Paving reported a
reference to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving to
whom was referred the proposition of the State Commissioner to
relinquish the ten monowall portion of Abington Street, reported
a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read
and accepted.

On the petition of the Justices
of the Supreme and Superior Court that Court Square be pav-
ed with other materials than stone the Committee on Paving re-
ported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen.
Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving
in the order of the Board of Aldermen on Village and ad-
jacent Street matters, and the petition of W. G. Barnum, notice

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Dec. 23. 1861. A intention to build on Middlesex Street; Justinia Lemmon
for grade damages on Emerald Street; B. C. Donovan do on
Chapman Street, and R. Huntington do on Suffolk and Chap-
man Streets, would report that they be referred to the next
Board of Aldermen, and recommend the subject entered
within the order and petitions to their earliest consideration. For
the Committee, Geo. W. Parmenter. Read and accepted.

Stollen
On the petition of Fairbanks
Tales and others that a Sewer be extended through Williams
court, and of John Stollen and others for the extension of the
South Street Sewer below G Street, the Committee on Sewers
reported a reference of said subject to the next Board of Alder-
men. Read and accepted.

Shawmut
Gas Company
The Committee on Paving to
whom was referred the petition of the Shawmut Gas Company
for permission to open streets of the city; also that of the Bos-
ton Gas Light Company for a hearing in relation to the same,
would report that the subject be referred to the next Board of
Aldermen. For the Committee, Geo. W. Parmenter, Read and ac-
cepted.

Stiles
On petition of W. J. Stiles that the
surface water may be affected from the passageway west of his
estate on North Street, the Committee on Paving reported a ref-
erence of the subject to the Committee on Common and Public
Squares. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Jarris.
On petition of Mary Jarris to be
compensated for damages sustained in change of grade in

Springfield Street the Committee on Paving reported that the matter has been adjusted. Read and accepted.

Dec. 23. 1861

On petition of Josiah Dunham to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Fifth Street, the Committee on Paving reported that no action thereon is necessary. Read and accepted.

Dunham

On petition of Eleazer J. Pratt and others that Freeman and Fair Streets be accepted the Committee on Paving reported that it is imprudent to take action thereon at the present time. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the copies of proposed petitions to the Massachusetts Legislature of the Salem, Swampscott and Lynn Street Railroad Company, Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, Suffolk Railroad Company, Winthrop Railroad Company, Mattapan Railroad Company, Boston Horse Railroad Company, Brighton Market Rail Road Company, Longwood Rail Road Company, Brookline Horse Railroad Company, and W. G. Cushman and others for a Horse Railroad location over Western Avenue; that no action is required at this time, and that the several papers be placed on file. For the Committee, Geo. W. Parmenter. Read and accepted.

Horse

Railroad
petitions

Leave was granted to J. P. Putnam, a non resident to have a wagon stand at 65 Clinton Street, on payment of nine dollars for said stand.

Non-Resident

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That

Alkins against the proposed erection of a Globe opposite 101 Hudson Street, the Committee on Internal Health reported that no action is necessary thereon. Read and accepted.

That

That

That

On the several petitions of

Charles H. Hays and others that a sewer be laid in Bremen St.

of James E. Hurdyn for a sewer in E. Street from Broadway to

Fourth Street, and of Josiah Dunham that a sewer may be

constructed in the Seventh Street sewer near B. Street; the Com-

mittee on Sewers reported that said several measures are inex-

pedient. Read and accepted.

City Hall

Renue

Ordered: That the passageway

running from Court Square to School Street, on the easterly side

of the City Hall, be hereafter known and called, City Hall Av-

enue. Read once.

Village

and Emerald

Streets

Ordered: That the Superintend-

ent of Streets be authorized to grade Emerald and Village Streets

at their junction with Chapman Street. Read once.

Laurence

Ordered: That there be paid to

James Laurence, B. J. Hatch, Charles H. Parker, J. B. Laurence, and

Abell Laurence Trustees of Mrs. Katherine Laurence the sum

of six hundred and twenty three ²⁵/₁₀₀ Dollars, for land taken

to widen Devonshire Street, at the junction of Milk Street in the

year 1860, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same,

and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and

expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same

be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for

laying out and widening streets. Read once.

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Dec. 23, 1861

Ordered: That the Board
adopt the grade of Middle Street between Lockport Street, and
Lockport Avenue, as shown on a plan and profile made by
James Glade, City Engineer, dated November 6th 1861, and deposited
in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read once.

Middle

Street

The Committee on Ordinances,
to whom was referred the petition of L. L. Sturges for an en-
actment to prevent dogs from riding on the steps of Carriages,
would respectfully recommend the adoption of the accompa-
nying rules and rules for the committee, Thomas C. Moore, Jr.
Chairman. Additional Rules and Orders of the Board of Alder-
men in regard to Hackney Carriages, Trucks, Carriages, &c. A Li-
cense shall be granted for any Hackney carriage, truck,
wagon, dray, cart, handcart, sleigh, sled, hand sled, or other
vehicle whatsoever for the conveyance of persons or property
or hire within the city, except to the owner or user thereof.
If any person other than the owner or user thereof shall take
out a license for any such carriage, truck, wagon, dray, cart,
handcart, sleigh, sled, hand sled or other vehicle he shall be
liable to a penalty of not exceeding twenty dollars for each
offence. When any owner or lessee of such carriage, truck, wagon,
dray, cart, handcart, sleigh, sled, hand sled or other vehi-
cle, who has received a license therefore, shall cease to be such
owner or lessee, he shall within ten days after ceasing to be
such owner or lessee, surrender his license to the Chief of Police
under a penalty of not exceeding twenty dollars. L. Moore, Clerk

Hackney

Carriages &c.

Rules for

772. ride upon the steps of any omnibus, or upon any hackney car.

Sec. 23, 1861. upon any truck wagon, draw cart, or other vehicle without the permission of the driver thereof, or upon the platform of any horse-car without the permission of the driver or conductor thereof, shall be liable to a penalty, not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence. Read once.

N.

Ordered: That the Superin-

Street.

tendent of Streets be authorized to grade N. Street between Fifth Street and the water line southerly. Estimated cost four thousand dollars. Read once.

N.

Ordered: That the Superin-

Street.

tendent of Streets be authorized to grade N. Street, from Ninth Street to water line southerly. Estimated cost three thousand dollars. Read once.

Hayden.

Ordered: That there be paid

to John C. Hayden the sum of fifty dollars in full compensation for any and all claims for damages to his estate on Second Street caused by a change of grade thereof upon his procuring his title to the said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the thirtieth day of December, Anno Domini, 1861.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Wilson, Fur-
menter and Spinney.

Twenty two Grand Jurors chosen
for the Superior Court (Criminal term). Thirty one Traverse Jurors
for the Superior Court (Criminal term). Thirteen Jurors
for the First session and thirty one Traverse Jurors for the Second
session of the Superior Court (Civil term).

Petition of Samuel G.

Stear and others for use of Faneuil Hall on Friday January
3^d next. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full
power.

On nomination by the Mayor

Benjamin C. Ellingill was appointed and confirmed as a
Special Police Officer at Faneuil Hall Market.

Agreeably to the recommenda-

tion of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the
discharges of J. L. Bucklebury from Hose Company No. 12 and of E.
Leah from Hose Company No. 8, were approved by the Board.

On nomination by the Mayor

Thomas E. Fitter was admitted a member of Engine Company
No. 1. George Thompson a member of Hook and Ladder Company
No. 1. and William D. Bond a member of Hose Company 6.

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 Fire Department
 Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Aldermen of the Fire Department the nominations of the following officers were confirmed by this Board.
 Stephen Latta, Fireman of Hose in Engine Company No. 1. James M. Kelle, Fireman of Hose in Engine Company No. 2. Charles A. Stone, Fireman of Hose Company No. 3. John J. Smith, Fireman of Hose in Engine Company No. 4. David V. Wilson, Axe and Pake-man in Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

Donahoe

Petition of Patrick Donahoe & others that the proposed Ordinance in relation to the use of Hand Pumps may be enacted. Came up from the common council. Read and placed on file.

Halter

A communication from the Architectural Board suggesting that an Ordinance be passed discontinuing the use of Halls. Referred in common council to the Committee on Halls. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Cross
That

Ordered: That the Board of Aldermen be and they hereby are authorized to purchase if they shall deem it expedient, a parcel of land at Madras-Manning for the purpose of widening Cross Street in East Boston and laying out the said land as a public highway. Provided however, that the expense thereof shall not exceed the sum of eight hundred dollars; and upon the condition that there shall be given to the City a release or deed satisfactory to the City Solicitor of the land in the street.

as it is now situated and bounded; and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for Public Lands and widening Streets. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 31, 1861.

The Board of Land Commissioners to whom was referred the petition of Maria E. Steppan that the amount of money paid by her husband for her lot of land in East Springfield Street which have reverted to the city, may be refunded to her. Having given the subject due consideration and being unanimous in favor of allowing the sum asked, would recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Commissioners, Samuel Hatch, Chairman. Resolved: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to cancel the Bonds numbering seventeen hundred and seventy-five, and seventeen hundred and seventy six, which were given for Lots 14 and 15 East Springfield Street, and to pay the amount which has been entered upon said bond, viz: One hundred and ninety three dollars and twenty two cents to Maria E. Steppan and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Public Lands. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 31, 1861.

The Committee on the Affairs of the "Laurence" Department to whom was referred the petition of James Laurence and others, Trustees, for a statement of the cost of certain Model House, has leave to Report: That they have not been able fully to satisfy themselves upon all the matters involved in the prayer of the petitioners, and they therefore recommend that

1860 the petition be referred to the next City Council. In the Committee
Dec. 2, 1861. Mr. John B. Fay, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for
concurrence. January 2, 1862. Came up concurred.

Browninshield

The Committee on the Finance Department, to whom was referred the petition of F. Browninshield in relation to the remission of certain taxes paid by him, have considered the same, and beg leave to report. That it appeared to the Committee that for several years Mr. Browninshield has been assessed for a lot of land at the South End, and that there being two fronts of the lot upon different streets, a portion of it was assessed twice, there is no legal requirement that this error should be rectified by refunding the amounts overpaid, because the law requires all owners of taxable property to present a sworn statement thereof that there may be no such mistakes. If such a statement is not made of course the assessment made according to the best information of the Assessors must remain valid, and there is no more reason why the City should correct a mistake of overpayment, under such circumstances, than a mistake of under-payment, many of which might doubtless be found. It was shown, however, that in the present case Mr. Browninshield had suspected an error and endeavored to correct it on two or three occasions, but failed, up to the year 1860, to ascertain the cause of the over-assessment. The Committee therefore feel that in equity a portion at least of the over-payments should be refunded, and they recommend the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee, John B. Fay, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to refund to Francis Browninshield the sum of thirty nine dollars and fifty nine

cents, the same being the amount of taxes originally paid by him in 1840 177.

Set of land at the corner of Washington and Snow Streets for the years 1857, 1858, and 1859. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 2, 1862. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 4, 1862. Sec. 1861

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Sarah Hayward that the tax assessed upon the estate of 25 Albany Street, occupied by the Home for the Deaf and Dumb, may be abated, have considered the same, and beg leave to Report, that, although not owning the house occupied by them, the American Ladies Home Education Society pay the taxes thereon, and as it is in accordance with established custom to remit all taxation upon associations whose object is charity, the Committee recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, John F. Gray Chairman. Ordered, that the Assessors be and they are hereby authorized to abate the sum of only ten dollars and twenty five cents from the tax assessed the current year on house No 25 Albany Street said house being occupied by the "Ladies American Home Education Society" for charitable purposes. Read and accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 2, 1862. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 4, 1862. Hayward

The Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of Henry M^r Donald for abatement of taxes, have considered the same, and beg leave to Report, that they have found no evidence to show that the valuations made by the Assessors were excessive, and they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John F. Gray, Chairman. Read and M^r Donald

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accepted. Sent down for concurrence. January 2. 1862. Came up
concurred.

Eighth

Methodist Episc
Church

The Committee on the Assessors

Department, to whom was referred the petition of the Eighth Meth-
odist Episcopal Church for abatement of taxes on their church
estate, have considered the same, and beg leave to report. That
the building upon which abatement of taxes is requested is
not yet occupied for purposes of worship, but it is in advanced
stage of completion and the Committee believe that the formal
dedication is now required to make it a church. They
therefore recommend that the following order of abatement
be passed. Resolved. That the Committee do hereby recommend.
That the Assessors be and they hereby are authorized to abate
the current year's taxes upon the estate corner of Tremont and
Concord Streets, owned by the Society of the Eighth Methodist Episc-
opal Church. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concur-
rence. January 2. 1862. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
January 4. 1862.

Evans.

The Committee on the Assessors

Department, to whom was referred a letter from William Evans
respecting the taxes upon his estate on Tremont Street, have
considered the same, and beg leave to report. That the new,
large and commodious house on Tremont Street, owned by Mr. Wil-
liam Evans, is now and has been throughout the summer, used
by the City Sanitation Committee and Mrs. Evans as a depot for
all kinds of useful benefactions in aid of the Volunteer Soldiers
from Massachusetts, which use will be continued. The
abatement of the taxes upon this house would therefore be
be the best reward which the City can make for his services.

public act which has placed so convenient a building at
their disposal for the purpose named. The Committee would re-
commend the passage of the accompanying order. For the commit-
tee, John F. Gray, Chairman. Ordered: That the Assessors be and
they hereby are authorized to abate the taxes assessed for the
current year upon House N^o 175. Tremont Street. Read twice and
passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 2, 1862. Came up con-
curred. Approved by the Mayor, January 4, 1862.

The Committee on the Assessors' Minn
Department, to whom was referred the petition of J. B. Winn & Co.
for abatement of their tax of \$100. have considered the same and
do have to report: that the tax upon which statement is made
was assessed on the proportion of the petitioners' business transacted
in Boston, and was deemed a proper and equitable assessment.
The Committee see no reason to reverse the judgment of the As-
sessor, and respectfully recommend that the petitioners have
leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John F. Gray, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. January 2, 1862. Came
up concurred.

The Committee on the Assessors' Home
Department to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees of
the Home for Aged and Infirm Men, for abatement of taxes there
considered the same and do have to report: that, according
to the custom respecting Institutions of a charitable character,
the Committee recommend that the tax be abated by the pass-
age of the accompanying order. For the Committee, John F. Gray,
Chairman. Ordered: That the Assessors be and they hereby are
authorized to abate the taxes assessed for the current year on the

181. House n^o 15 further that said house being occupied at the time
Dec. 30. 1861. for Aged Colored Women. Read twice and passed. Sent down for
concurrence. January 2. 1862. Came up concurred. Approved by the
Mayor. January 4. 1862.

Nickerson

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Edward E. Nickerson for abatement of taxes, have considered the same and have cause to report: That the only ground upon which the petitioner asks an abatement seems to be that upon certain of his property destroyed by fire since the assessment of last year he is not fully insured. It is instantly apparent that the petition is inadmissible unless it is expected that the City shall in all cases consider the misfortune there to occur to all property, real and personal, and that it shall especially supply the place of an insurance company to the persons who may have their goods visited by fire and have not taken the ordinary business precaution to procure insurance upon them. The Committee recommend that the petition be laid on the table. For the Committee, Geo. B. Fay, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. January 2. 1862. Came up concurred.

Nichols

The Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Rebecca S. Nichols for abatement of taxes on her small n^o 22 lot in ward 1, have considered the same and have cause to report: That the facts upon which the petitioner asks abatement of taxes is the fact, property of herself and husband, the latter of whom has lately been stricken with blindness, and the family are scarcely able to procure a livelihood. These circumstances constituting, in the opinion of

the Committee, a case in which the discretionary power of the city 781
Council may be exercised for a charitable purpose, they were ordered Dec. 28 1861
that the accompanying order be passed. On the committee John
F. Hay, Chairman. Ordered: That the Board be and that they
are authorized to abate the taxes assessed for the current year
upon House No. 2, Eaton Court. Read twice and passed. Subject
in concurrence. January 2, 1862. Same of Council. Approved by
the Mayor January 4, 1862.

On motion of Alderman Amory, Common.

the Board took from the table the Ordinance in relation to the
Common, Public Garden &c, being City Document 75, and the ques-
tion being on the passage of said Ordinance. Alderman Amory
moved to strike out the last sentence in Section 8 relative to the
impounding of horses and cattle which motion prevailed. Alder-
man Rich moved to strike out the whole of Section 13, and re-
number the succeeding sections accordingly, which motion pre-
vailed, and the Ordinance as thus amended was passed. Sent
down for concurrence.

Ordered: That there be paid to Wade
James Wade and Eli Fernald, the sum of thirty five dollars,
in full compensation for damages caused by a change of grade
of Chapman Street as far as number fourteen on said street
is affected thereby upon their giving to the city an acquittance
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said change of grade; and that the same be charg-
ed to the appropriation for Paving &c. Ordered: That the order
of Dec. 9 to pay Eli Fernald thirty five dollars for damages on
Chapman Street be and the same hereby is rescinded. Read twice
and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 31, 1861.

Ordered: That there be paid

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Sumner.

to C. S. Sumner and Nathaniel F. Justice, Trustees, the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars, for land taken to widen Kamberg Street, and for building a wall to support the street, and for the damage sustained in consequence of the change of grade on said street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and charges in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1861.

N.

Street.

The order submitted to the Board

on the twenty third instant for the Superintendent of Streets to grade N. Street from Fifth Street to the water, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1861.

M.

Street

The order submitted to the Board

on the twenty third instant for the Superintendent of Streets to grade M. Street from Fifth Street to the water was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1861.

Hackney

Carriages

The Rules and Regulations sub-

mitted at the meeting of the Board on the twenty third instant for the government of Hackney Carriages were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1861.

City Hall

Entrance

The order submitted to the Board

on the twenty third instant giving the name of City Hall to the passageway out of City Hall was read a second

time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1861 783

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The order submitted to the Board on the twenty third instant to pay John C. Houghton fifty dollars for grade damages on Second Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor December 31. 1861

Houghton

The order submitted to the Board on the twenty third instant to pay James Lawrence, and others, husband of Mrs. Catharine Lawrence, six hundred and twenty three dollars and twenty five cents, for land taken to widen Devonshire Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 31. 1861.

Lawrence

The order submitted to the Board on the twenty third instant in the adoption of a grade for Middle Street between Rochester Street and Rochester Avenue was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 31. 1861.

Middle

Street

The order submitted to the Board on the twenty third instant in the Superintendent of Streets to grade Emerald and Village Streets at their junction with Chapman Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 31. 1861.

Emerald

Village

Streets

The Superintendent of Streets having reported to the Board that certain abutters on the following streets and places had requested to lay their sidewalks as directed by this Board. He submitted a schedule of assessments on said abutters for the expense of said sidewalks which have been laid by the city. Albany, Atlantic, Beacon,

Sidewalks

734 Beach, Burlington, Brylston, Broad, Cambridge, Concord, Chapman
Dec. 30. 1861. Ave, Greenwich, Federal, Fourth, Green, Garrison Avenue, Tre-
land, Lancaster, Mason, Portland, Purchase, Richmond, Union Park,
Waltham, West Ninth and many streets. Read and thereupon
it was ordered that said amounts be collected according to law.

Bedford
street.

Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists on premises 46 and 48 Bedford Street,
caused by vault or drain with on said premises, belonging to
John A. Lewis and Jacob Gieger, which is dangerous to the health
of the inhabitants, it is hereby ordered, that the Superintendent
of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance
to be abated by removing said filth at the expense of said parties,
who, having been duly notified by him, have neglected to abate
said nuisance.

Harlow's
line.

The Committee on Licenses, to
whom was referred the petition of L. D. Harlow for an exten-
sion of his Omnibus line in this City, have considered the
same and beg leave to recommend the passage of the ac-
companying order. In the Committee, John B. Fay, Chairman.
Ordered: That a License be granted to L. D. Harlow to run
six omnibuses through Washington, Court and Hancock Streets
to the Minutemen's corner, and returning through Commercial,
State, and Washington Streets, to Concord Street. Read twice and
laid on the table.

Bedford
Street
widening

The Committee on laying out
and widening Streets to whom was recommended the order
of notice of an intention to widen Bedford Street to take land
from the Whitwell Estate, respectfully report that they find on

a full examination of the circumstances in relation to the matter, that it is inexpedient at the present time to take any further action in the premises, and they recommend that no widening be made at this time. For the Committee, Giles Peice, Chairman Read and accepted.

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The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the petition of John Pettin and others that Tremont Street may be widened between Northington Street and Jackson Avenue, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Pettin

The Committee on Streets to whom was committed the order of notice in relation to a proposed widening of Essex Street, reported that said measure is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

Essex

Street

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the petition of Jonathan Weston and others for the widening of Boylston Street between Arlington Street and Chaumut Avenue, reported that it is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

Weston

Boylston Street

On petition of William J. Niles that the surface water may be deflected from the passageway west of his estate on School Street the Committee on Common reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Niles

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, an Auctioneer's License was issued to M. Fullman.

Auctioneer

Since

On the remonstrance of Charles

Nichols and others against the proposed widening of Federal Street, the Committee on Streets reported that no action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Saturday next at ten o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Saturday the fourth day of January, Anno Domini, 1862.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Parmenter.

Read

Orders

A report from the Committee on Ordinances, being City Doc. No. 67, advising the passage of an Ordinance herewith submitted for the regulation of the use of hall rooms for political meetings, by which permits for said rooms must be obtained and none but legal voters in a Ward shall be allowed to participate at such meetings, was referred in the Common Council after some proposed amendments to the next City Council; and said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein.

Those in

Office

The Committee on Water to whom was referred a communication from the Water Board requesting an amendment to the Ordinance of 1858 respecting the use of

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and 1/100.

School House
Durham
and
Paul Town
Green Hills

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venue, between Essex and Beach Streets, and to erect thereon a building suitable for a Primary School House and a Hall room therein, at a cost not exceeding thirty thousand dollars. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of twenty thousand dollars, the same to be appropriated to the erection of a Primary School House and a Hall Room therein on Harrison Avenue. Ordered: That the unexpended balance of the appropriation made by the City Council for the erection of a Primary School House at South Boston be and same is transferred to the appropriation to erect a Primary School House on Harrison Avenue. In Common Council. Read and accepted and the order passed. Yeas 36. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Sec. - Therman Ames, Clark, Eaton, Francon, Hatch, Rice, Saw, Weston Rich Spinner. Motion H. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor January 4, 1862.

Common

The Common Council having amended the Ordinance in relation to the Common and Public Garden, which passed this Board on the 30th ultimo, in striking out from Section 2. the words "lawful for" and inserting the words "the duty of" said action came up for concurrence. Read and this Board concurred therein. Approved by the Mayor January 4, 1862.

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Relief

The Central Committee on the Relief provided by the Statute of 1861 Chap. 22 for the families of the Massachusetts volunteers, would respectfully suggest that in their judgement, the time has arrived for some modification in the present system of distribution. Nearly all the suggestions proposed for the present to be raised in the State have been so

patched to the Seal of war, and the additional enlistments, 789.
necessary to keep them up to the standard, will not, it is to be
hoped, be numerous. While investigations were to be made of
the merits of applications for aid, and questions were constantly
occurring as to the meaning and application of the law, it
seemed indispensable that the main action and responsibility
once should remain where placed by the Legislature and the
order of the City Council in the immediate members of the
Government. We would not propose substantial changes; but
we recommend that more of the detail and drudgery be left to
paid agents. The words differ a considerable in position and other
circumstances affecting the mode of doing. But we think
should be left to the judgment of their respective
committees, and no attempt be made to mix it to any uniform
rule. The plans organized in South Boston and East Boston, it is
understood, can be continued without imposing any undue bur-
den on their committees. In South End and others, and any other
where the lists are long and troublesome, a responsible person may
well be employed to keep the records, fill the orders, and, when
signed, distribute them. In the more central ward the petitions,
when passed upon, can be filed and the records kept at the
Relief Office, and the orders for each month there filled by the
Relief clerk. At monthly meetings of each of the committees to re-
ceive new applications and revise the lists, with their officers for
all ordinary purposes, and the only duty required of the chair-
men be to sign the orders. When signed if kept in the office they
can be accepted and paid when called for. These orders being trans-
mitted to the payments, and returned each month to the City Audi-
tor for comparison with the drafts of the bank as necessary with

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Jan 1862. escape detection. Visits of investigation in new cases should be made by the members of the committee since, for reasons too obvious to mention, they should be men well acquainted with the character and condition of the applicants. Applicants having procured their certificate of enlistment from the Adjutant-General, we propose, should have their petitions filed as heretofore at the Relief Office unless in any ward a different rule be prescribed by its committee. Different days in the week, we think, should be assigned for the payment of parties from the different wards, as when they come as now, indiscriminately, much valuable time is lost to the applicants, and their families are subjected to unnecessary suffering and inconvenience from their protracted absence from home. These arrangements rather however belong to the committee to be appointed by the next city Council than to us, and if the allowances be generally made up, as we believe is intended, to the first of January abundant time will be found after its reorganization, and before the February payments, to determine what this shall be. The present office is cold and dark and the entrance in winter is like stepping into a furnace. We recommend the appropriation of the southern room in the basement of the Court House, for the use of the Relief Clerk. The Court building belongs to the city, and there can be no impropriety in using what is not needed for the court for this purpose. The custody of the building being in the Board of Aldermen, or County Commissioners, to authorize that an order of the Board will be necessary. Given rules for the alphabetical arrangement of the petitions in wards with under them conveniently accessible and when no longer needed for the present used the law will be still of value in the hands of persons connected with the county. The persons employed in the Relief Office

have done their duty faithfully, and we think should receive a liberal recompense. It is proposed that the principal clerk, who has had the responsibility of making the payments, should receive five dollars, and his assistant three dollars a day. As it was desirable that those employed should be known to the Government, and have the confidence, we gladly availed ourselves of the services of two members of the Council, who were so situated as to be able to give to the business their whole attention. We submit an order for their compensation, and their duties having been arduous beyond what was anticipated, we believe that the amount will not be considered unreasonable. In addition to the sum of payment for clerical labor in the Central Office, in the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars, eighty dollars, and seventy five dollars to three other persons employed. Beside these amounts, five have been approved for clerical services rendered to the Fund Committee, but we do not conceive that the aggregate expenditure exclusive of that for printing, in distributing Bibles, five thousand dollars among nearly eighteen hundred families, in the seven months that the law has been in operation, will much exceed it, and the sum of fifteen hundred dollars. We recommend the passage of the accompanying order. In the Committee, Thomas C. Amory, Chairman. He said that the Auditor be authorized to audit and the Treasurer to pay the traveling bills of members of the Anti-Slavery Council. Charles H. Carter, in hundred and sixty five dollars, being ten dollars per day for services as Principal Relief Clerk. Another bill for one hundred and seventy four dollars, being three dollars per day for services as Assistant Relief Clerk. In Common Council. Read and accepted, and the order passed. Taken up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 4. 1862.

an^d 1862.
City Debt
Statement
of

on the reduction of the City Debt for the year 1861, respectively
report to the City Council the following Statement, showing the
condition of the Debt at the close of business on the 24th and the
operations on that account during the present municipal year.
Taking up the subject at the close of the past financial year, viz:
30th April 1861, we find that—

The Consolidated Funded Debt of the City on the first
day of May last, as will be seen by the Auditor's report,

N^o 49, page 22, amounted to

\$ 8,894,499.77

and was nominally divided as follows:—

City Debt

\$ 5,439,288.66

Water Debt

\$ 3,455,211.11

\$ 8,894,499.77

Since that time loans have been negotiated on various
orders of the City Council, dating back as far as
now like to the amount of

\$ 1,000,000.00

Making the total of Funded debt

\$ 9,894,499.77

To which is to be added for loans authorized but
not yet obtained

477,200.00

making a total of

\$ 10,371,699.77

All the payments which have become due
have been met at maturity.

The payments since 30th of April have been the

following, viz: City Debt due

\$ 2,200.00

anticipatd

10,000.00

Water Debt due

33,000.00

anticipatd

24,000.00

Temporary Water Loan

1,500.00

\$ 2,000.00

Leaving the balance of Consolidated Debt, Funded and Unfunded

\$ 10,371,699.77

This amount the Auditor of Accounts divides as follows:

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Water Debt being the whole net cost to
the City of the Water Works to date, say \$ 6,621,600.00

City Debt in balance

2,220,360.91

In this amount is included, until \$1,000,000 appropriated to work to
be done by the incoming and succeeding administration. On the
first day of January last there will be due, and will be paid
\$151,772 of the City Debt and on the first day of April next the
sum of \$40,000 of the Water Debt. These amounts will be charged
to this Committee against the \$500,000 to their credit on the 30th

April last - see Audited Report page 23. Means of paying off the
debt. It appears by the books of the Treasurer and Auditor that
the means of paying off the Debt of the City consist of the fol-
lowing items, all of which are, by ordinance, exclusively applica-
ble to that object, viz:

Cash balance in the Treasury to the credit of the
Committee on the Reduction of the City Debt on the

30th of April last

\$ 546,024.91

Cash received since that time on Bonds and

Mortgages then on hand

63,989.58

Cash received in sales of Land and other real estate

178.72

Cash from Annual Taxes, being the amount appropriated
for this object, in conformity with Section of the Ordinance

on Finance,

200,000.00

910,993.21

Less the payments made since 1st April as detailed on p. 51.00

Cash means

\$ 818,993.21

Bonds and Mortgages on hand, all of which

are considered good

412,000.00

\$ 1,230,993.21

794. The Consolidated Debt (funded and unfunded) on the 24th Dec-
ember, 1860, amounted to 9,392,799.77

Means on hand at that time 1,192,435.48 8,200,364.29

Consolidated Debt on the 24th December, 1861. 9,624,699.77

Means on hand 1,222,053.94 8,402,645.83

Net increase in 1861 \$ 202,281.54

John M. Hartman, Atty. Gen. India, Sec. of the Common Council.
John W. Tucker, Chairman of the Committee on Finance on the part
of the Common Council. In Common Council. Read and accepted.
Went up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Bill
to be paid

Ordered: That the following bills
for materials or labor furnished by persons connected directly or in-
directly with the City Government be paid, provided they are approv-
ed, audited and allowed in the usual manner, viz: Geo. H. Spague,
one hundred fifteen dollars and nineteen cents; eighty eight dollars &
fifty six cents; fifty three dollars and ninety seven cents; thirty dollars
and thirty eight cents; fifteen dollars and thirty one cents; twelve dol-
lars and four cents and eight dollars fifty one cents. Francis Richard
five hundred eighty six dollars and fifty three cents; two hundred
ninety one dollars and fifty four cents; sixty dollars and thirty three
cents; fifty nine dollars and fifty cents and thirteen dollars and
seventy five cents. Joe L. L. L. three hundred and fifty dollars and
three hundred dollars. Samuel Hatch two hundred and four dollars
and twenty five cents and one hundred and twelve dollars. J. Burr
and Son one hundred and eighteen dollars and twelve cents; fifteen
dollars and eighty seven cents. Lullin and Angell four hundred
and twenty nine dollars and twenty five cents; one hundred and
fifty four dollars and fifty six cents; thirty seven dollars and fifty six

and; thirty five dollars and forty two cents. William Smith seven dollars and fifty cents and ten dollars and twenty two cents. One dollar and ninety three dollars and fifteen cents; which three hundred and ninety dollars. Emma Crosby nine seven dollars and thirty one cents. Genie Roberts fifty eight dollars and twenty three cents. John Macintosh three and ten and nine hundred cents. March 3. The twenty seven dollars and fifty cent. Frederick Hudson dollars and ten cents. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 4. 1862.

Ordered: That the Committee Leno. be authorized to contract with Emma Genie and Woods for the ten work of a portion of the City Hospital, they being the lowest bidder. No. 2. of said firm being a member of the City Council. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 4. 1862.

Ordered: That the City Messenger Documents be furnished to the suitable binding of the City Documents for the year 1861, one for each member of the City Council. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 4. 1862.

The Special Committee, appointed Horse to confer with the several horse animal companies located within the City of Boston and report a system of exchange or commutation tickets for the accommodation of the public, beg leave to report. And they deem the subject one of great importance, as affecting the interests of the City of Boston and its citizens, and all of the residents of neighboring towns, who, although they are

not only within our municipal limits, are so identified
with us in business and social relations, that their convenience
is not to be lightly regarded. No argument seems to be needed
to exhibit the benefit which the public at large must derive
from the equalization of fares which a commutation system
will inaugurate; and the only question to consider are those of
the plan to be adopted, and the acceptance of it by the railroad
companies. It could scarcely be expected that these companies
should not endeavor to use all the opportunities they now have
in remunerative business upon the routes prescribed for them, with-
out regard to the interests of the public at large, or to any regu-
lated exchanges with other corporations, whereby the revenue of one
route of them might be reduced. But it is within the province of
of the Board of Aldermen; and, in a case where so many of
our streets are used to so great an extent for private profit, it is
their duty to exercise a supervision over them, and become if need
be, a mediator between them and the public. The Committee are
happy to say, however, that in entering upon the matter under
consideration, they have found no unwillingness on the part of
any corporation to consider the subject in a fair and impartial
manner, and they have been greatly encouraged in the belief that no ob-
stacles of this kind will be found in the way of an equitable ad-
justment of the complicated questions which are likely to arise
in arranging a system of commutation fares. But, in the short
time which has been given the Committee, it was of course im-
possible to secure all the necessary information and discussion re-
quisite to mature a satisfactory plan; but the steps they have taken
can lead them to suppose that the way is open for such legislation
as will meet the wishes of the people and be acceptable to all in

interested parties. As it is now impracticable to act during this municipal year, the Committee recommend that the matter be referred to the next Board of Aldermen, and considered by them at an early day. For the Committee, E. J. Wilson, Chairman. Read and adopted and referred accordingly.

The Commissioners and Committee on the subject of the Back Bay Terminus recommended to prepare a plan of direction, grade, and sewerage of streets on said territory, by leave to report. But the Commissioners, immediately upon their appointment, caused surveys to be made of the territory in question, and of the large amount of territory embraced in the city of Roxbury, and the town of West Roxbury, South Boston, and Dedham, which discharges its waters through Stony Brook, so called, into the full basin of the Boston Water Purifying Co. This territory covers an area exceeding eight thousand acres, not including any portion of the Back Bay or the full basin. Before any final system of grades or sewerage could be adopted, it became necessary to prepare a plan which would be acceptable to the parties in interest, in the important matter of the direction of the streets. Five plans were successively arranged at the request of the proprietors of the territory, and materially modified, before one was made satisfactory to the major part of them. The parties in interest who have examined the plans, are the Boston Water Power Company, the Commissioners on Public Land of the Commonwealth, David S. Smith and his brother, Messrs. S. and L. Benson, John L. Gardner, Messrs. John Simmons and E. and L. Brown, the Boston and Worcester Railroad Company, the Boston and Providence Railroad Company, the Trustees under the Will of Ebenezer Francis of Messrs. Daniel Gardner, the city of Roxbury, by their Mayor

798. and Committee on Sewerage; the Town of Brookline, by their select-
men; the City and Atholene Estate, represented by William Rice,
C. H. Gelling and William Spindrud of Brookline; also David Sears,
George S. Gelling, John Quincy Jr., and L. Gay and various other
gentlemen who are known to take a great interest in this matter.
A great many meetings have been had with these various par-
ties, either by the full Board of the Commissioners, or by commit-
tees of the Board, and much time has been spent in combining
their various interests so as to have them agree upon a plan, and
the Commissioners have the pleasure to state that the plan sub-
mitted showing the location of the streets does meet the views of
a large majority in interest in this matter. Some of the plans were
made showing a lake or lakes of various sizes in various situa-
tions, but none of them gave so much satisfaction to the majority as
the plan finally adopted. Inasmuch as there is an agreement be-
tween the City, the State, and the Boston Water Power Company known
as the Ripgate Agreement, in regard to the laying out of the
streets and Sewerage on the Back Bay, it will be necessary to
apply to the Legislature for its ratification of the proposed plan be-
fore a final report can be made; with this view the whole mat-
ter has been frequently brought before the State Commissioners on
Public Lands, as well as other bodies; and the Boston Water Power
Company has given public notice of its intent to apply to the Legis-
lature for the purpose. Until such confirmation has been made of
the plan, the Commissioners cannot make a final report, although
much progress has been made towards such a result. All of which is
respectfully submitted. Jonathan Weston, Samuel A. Sperry, George
Formentor, Special Committee on Back Bay Lands. Jonathan Weston,
Daniel Davis, and George, and Francis H. Sumner Esq., Back

Day Commissioners. Read, accepted and ordered to be printed 799

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On petition of George P. Dudley
and others. That the Superintendent of Streets be authoriz-
ed to grade Putnam Street between White Street and Saratoga
Street to the established grade. Estimated cost eight hundred dol-
lars. Read twice and passed. Passed by the Council Jan 4, 1862.

Putnam

Street

Agreeably to the report of
the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to George P. Dudley
to keep an Intelligence Office at No 130 Washington Street.

Intelligence

Office

On petition of H. W. Nelson and
others that a nuisance occasioned by the transportation of decaying
cows and dead horses through South and Fifth Streets may be abated,
the Committee on Internal Health reported that no action is re-
quired. Read and accepted.

Nelson

On petition of Daniel Lenny and
others that the nuisance existing along the line of the Midland
or New York Central Railroad may be abated, the Committee on
Internal Health reported that no further action is required. Read
and accepted.

Lenny

On petition of George D. Wise &
others that a nuisance be abated in rear of No 111 West Street,
the Committee on Internal Health reported that no further action
is required. Read and accepted.

Wise

On petition of William Lynner for
two wagon stands in Franklin Street near Washington Street, the
Committee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the petitioner

Lynner

800. be granted. Read and accepted.

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Pave

Way

On petition of Pave that

corporation that a nuisance in their dock occasioned by deposits from a Pave therein may be abated, the Committee on Internal Health reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Washington

The Committee on Internal Health

reported

that in relation to the defective drainage in a portion of Washington Village, they have taken such measures as will render any further action unnecessary. Read and accepted.

Richardson

On petition of Thomas Richardson

for an abatement of an assessment for removal of a nuisance in South Street, the Committee on Internal Health reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Richardson

On petition of Thomas Richardson

that a nuisance in Sumner Street Dock may be abated, the Committee on Internal Health reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Major

Agreeably to the report of the

Committee on Science leave was granted to Daniel J. Major to exhibit a Natural Curiosity at 21 Union Street.

Guild

On petition of William H. Guild

in relation to an order relative to closing openings in the side-work of Blackstone Street, the Committee on Sewing reported that no action is required. Read and accepted.

802 tend to discontinue a portion of the Road before mentioned, as
since 1862 a public street or way and that Monday the twentieth day
of January 1862 at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time
for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Analoga

That

Whereas, in the opinion of the
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require
that the County Road on Need's Island leading from East Bos-
ton to Hingham be straightened it is therefore hereby ordered
that due notice be given to J. M. Smith and J. S. Jones, agents for
Thomas W. Cullow, and Thomas Gale both of Douglas in the State of Mass.,
Great Britain, and William Every & Co. of Liverpool, England, who are
located under the title of J. S. Jones, that this Board intend to
straighten the street before mentioned, by taking a portion of
their land and laying out the same as a public street or way
and that Monday the twentieth day of January 1862 at four o'clock
P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which
may be made thereto.

Unfinished
business.

Ordered: That all matters of
unfinished business be referred to the next Board of Aldermen.

Mayer

Thank

The business of the Board being
accomplished, Alderman Foster with some popular remarks sub-
mitted the following resolve: Resolved: That the members of this
Board deem it to be their duty as it would be for us to ex-
press to His Honor the Mayor their appreciation of the impartial
and courteous manner in which he has presided over the de-
liberations of this body during the past year, and we hereby tender
to him our best wishes for the success of his future administration.

tion of Public Affairs. The foregoing resolve was unanimously adopted and having been communicated to the Mayor, he appeared before the Board and made a suitable reply thereto.

At the conclusion of the Mayor's remarks, Alderman Imery submitted to the Board the following resolve: Resolved: That the thanks of the Board be tendered to John Peirce, its Chairman. We regret that his retirement from the government is to deprive his fellow citizens of his wisdom and experience in the transaction of their Municipal Affairs, and we assure him that he carries with him from the position he has occupied so creditably to himself and so beneficially to the City in the last five years as an Alderman an ever lasting memory for his continued progress and support. In response to which Alderman Peirce made an appropriate reply.

Chairman
Thanks to

Ordered: That the addresses of the Mayor and the Chairman together with the closing proceedings of the Board be printed and appended to the City Documents.

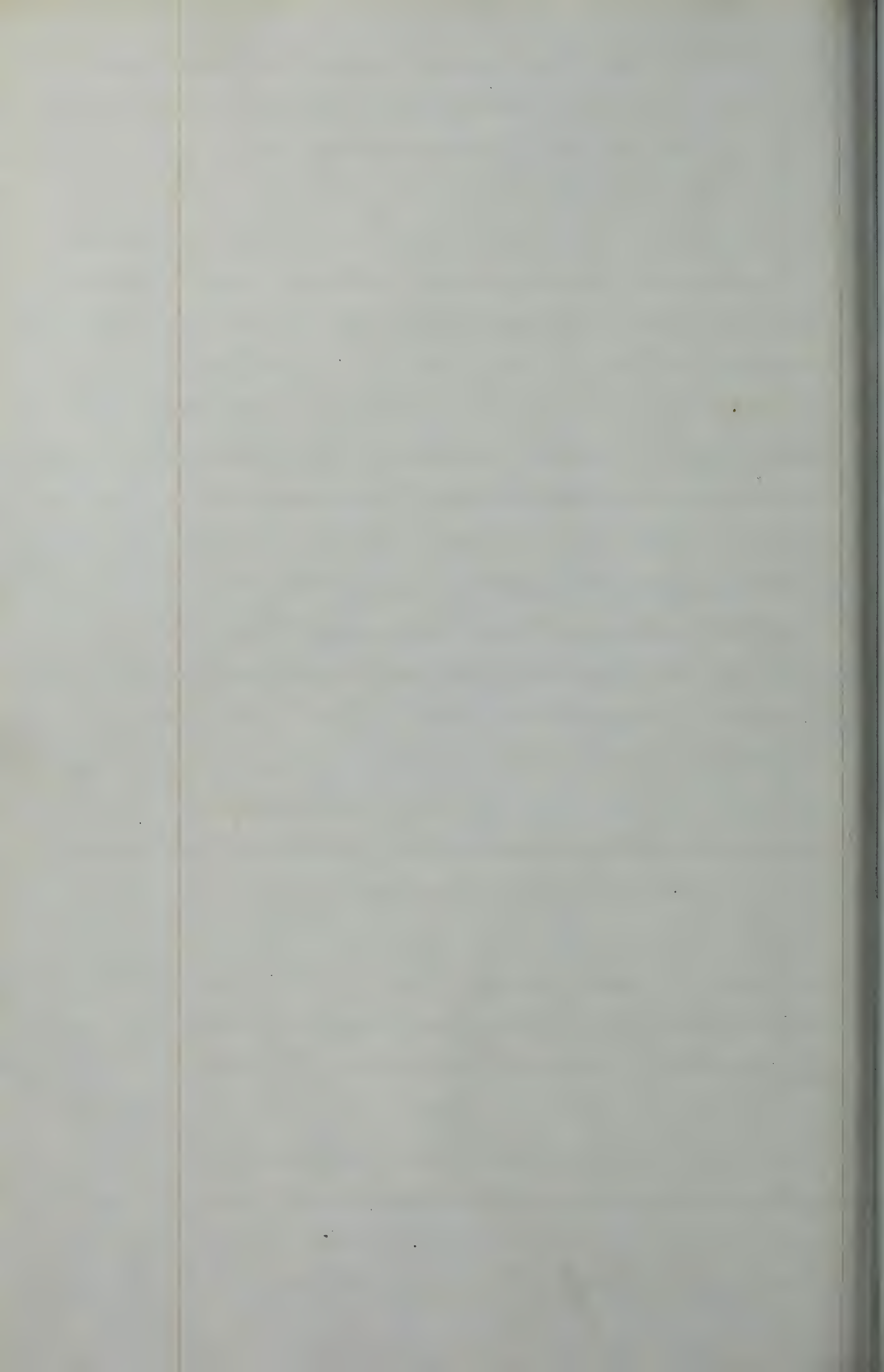
Proceedings
to print

On motion of Alderman Spinney the Board adjourned and did.

Attest: *Wm. J. McLeary* City Clerk

And the undersigned certifies that the foregoing is a true record of the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen to the year 1861 and its termination.

Wm. J. McLeary City Clerk



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